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NWBC Resource Benefits Alliance Attention: Stacey Tyers, Chair cc: Bill Miller, Co-Chair 300-4545 Lazelle Avenue Terrace, BC V8G 4E1

Dear Stacey and Bill,

Thank you for your recent letter and our follow up phone conversations. I wanted to put in writing the key points of our discussions and ensure the Alliance knows that we value the relationships we have built and respect your position.

The support we have received from Northern B.C. communities over the past four years is appreciated and valued by TransCanada. We have made it a priority to understand the local interests, challenges and concerns in northern B.C. and have been taking your feedback into consideration as we have developed our project plans in this region. Our proposed routes, engagement methods and community investments are a result of that important feedback.

We believe that together, with your input, we can develop projects that provide jobs and benefits to your communities for years to come. To-date, we have invested millions of dollars in communities across northern B.C. including:

More than \$3 million dollars in skills training and education for local and Aboriginal peoples to prepare them for employment in the energy sector and ensure a strong, positive legacy.

Some of our partnerships include:

- · University of Northern B.C.
- Northwest Community College
- Northern Lights College
- College of New Caledonia
- Prince George Nechako Aboriginal Education and Training Association's (PGNAETA)
- Tribal Resources Investment Corp. (TRICORP)

More than \$3.5 million invested in community initiatives, events, and programs important to British Columbians including:

- District of Kitimat Fire and Ambulance Department
- Terrace Search and Rescue
- Hope Air
- Terrace Splash Park
- Clean up Kitimat Campaign



- NWBC Invasive Plant Council
- Fraser Lake Playground
- Free Skates in Hazelton
- Baker Airport Revitalization Project
- Bulkley Valley Search and Rescue
- Pacific Salmon Foundation
- Vanderhoof Aquatics Centre

Once a positive final investment decision (FID) is made, TransCanada's proposed projects will contribute to over \$770 million in provincial and property tax revenues that can help towards enhancing things like highways and healthcare.

- Community services will be enhanced by approximately \$54 million in property tax benefits annually during operation.
- B.C. communities will benefit from approximately \$718 million in provincial tax revenues from TransCanada pipeline projects alone (during constructions)

Post (FID) TransCanada will also provide contracting and employment opportunities to qualified local and Aboriginal businesses and individuals near the proposed route.

TransCanada is committed to being a good neighbour in the communities in which it hopes to build and operate. We also recognize that local governments want to create communities that prosper and thrive. We are pleased that the Alliance is continuing its discussions with the Province and encourage a healthy dialogue and positive step forward.

We thank you again for your continued engagement and support.

Sincerely,

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