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**BC Ministry of Environment**  
Environmental Stewardship Division  
Planning and Land Administration  
Parks and Protected Areas Program  
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**Attention: Brian Bawtinheimer**  
**Director, Parks and Protected Areas**

**Re.: Application for a Boundary Adjustment:**  
**Pinecone Burke Provincial Park**

Dear Mr. Bawtinheimer:

Please accept this letter and supporting documentation as our formal application for an adjustment to the boundary of Pinecone Burke Provincial Park. As requested by Brett Hudson, we have sent six (6) copies of this submission and supporting documents to Section Head Vikki Haberl in Squamish for referral distribution. This information is also available in electronic format.

Our firm proposes to develop seven run of river water power projects on tributaries to the Upper Pitt River. The seven inter-connected projects will have a combined installed capacity of 180 MW of clean, 'green' electrical energy. The need for this project arises through the BC Energy Plan goal for the Province to achieve energy self-sufficiency by 2016, with all new electricity generation projects having zero net greenhouse gas emissions. The electricity generated by the project is to be sold to BC Hydro under long term contract.

Our project will require an Environmental Assessment Certificate under the BC *Environmental Assessment Act*, and this process is currently underway. Electricity generated is to be transferred to the BCTC electrical grid via a 42 km transmission line to the Cheekye electrical substation at Squamish. The upper

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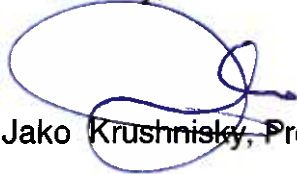
Pitt River watershed is surrounded by parklands and the proposed transmission line corridor will require a 4.3 km long crossing of Pinecone Burke Provincial Park.

Our proposal includes removal of approximately 70 ha from the park for the transmission line corridor. I understand that this alignment would subsequently be designated a Protected Area and be managed under a Park Use Permit. The requested area for the corridor is 50 ha larger than that which will be occupied by the transmission line in order to be certain that any adjustments to the line location during construction will remain within the designated area. The final area required for the transmission corridor is approximately 20 ha, and the 50 ha portion of the Protected Area not occupied by the transmission line will be returned to the Park after the transmission line has been constructed.

Our proposal includes measures to mitigate impacts to the environment and park uses, and commitments to assist with park facilities, research and long term monitoring to support park management planning. We are proposing to add 473 ha of new park area which consists of identified wildlife habitat areas and other areas that do not contribute to the Fraser timber supply. This park addition will result in a substantial net increase in the park area.

We appreciate the feedback we have received from BC Parks staff and planners during the last year regarding this proposal. I trust the enclosed reports and maps will provide the information you require.

Yours truly,



Jako Krushnisky, President

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B. Hudson, Senior Parks and Protected Areas Planner  
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