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Re: <u>Correction to Dezé Undertaking: Table of Commitments EC-20, originally submitted on January 29, 2010</u>

On January 29, 2010, Dezé Energy Corporation submitted a Table of Commitments in support of the undertakings from the Taltson Expansion Project Public Hearings. Commitment under EC-20 noted in the comments section that Dezé conducted yellow rail surveys in 2009. Please note that this date was inadvertently reported incorrectly. The comments should have read, "Dezé conducted yellow rail surveys in 2008." I have attached a revised Table of Commitments page, with the correction highlighted in yellow that can be printed and inserted into the original table.

Please contact me at (867) 766-5078 or email DGrabke@nwtec.ca if you have any questions or require any clarification on the information presented in this submission.

Regards,

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AGENCY REC NO.	ENVIRONMENT CANADA RECOMMENDATIONS	CURRENTLY COMMITTED? (Y/N)	COMMITMENT # OR SOURCE	COMMENTS
EC-19	EC recommends that scheduled outages are prior to May 7, unless local baseline data on migratory birds indicate that these outages could be done later without disturbing or destroying migratory bird nest or eggs.	Υ	DAR-4, DAR-5	Dezé will implement maintenance schedules that minimize ramping flows in Trudel Creek.
EC-20	EC recommends that additional Yellow Rail surveys be done prior to construction of the project in the areas likely to have Yellow Rail. If Yellow Rails are detected, the Proponent should work with EC to determine the appropriate mitigation and monitoring measures.	N		Dezé conducted Yellow rail surveys in 2008. Yellow rail were not detected, and the Taltson River is on the outer limits of yellow rail range. Regardless, Dezé has committed to mitigation that assumes the presence of yellow rail (see DAR-4, DAR-5, DAR-6, DAR-7, DAR-82).
EC-21	EC recommends that the Proponent undertake a spring and fall survey of potential wetlands/lakes along the transmission line route to determine if large flocks of birds are staging near the line. If areas along the transmission line have significant numbers of waterfowl during spring or fall migration, the Proponent should assess whether further mitigation and monitoring measures are required to minimize the impact of collisions of these flocks of birds with the transmission line.	N	DAR-14, DAR-15	As outlined in the DAR, local breeding waterfowl (as opposed to staging migrants) are at the greatest risk of collision. Baseline studies of local breeding waterfowl indicated that effects would be low. Monitoring and possible mitigation for local breeding waterfowl collisions are proposed. Staging migratory birds tend to select deltas and other productive areas that melt early in the spring. No such features have been identified on the transmission line route.
EC-22	EC recommends that the numbers and locations of raven and raptor nests on transmission towers be recorded annually. If the number exceeds a pre-established threshold, the Proponent should undertake further mitigation measures to discourage further nesting on the transmission towers.	Y	Meeting Report with EC, dated 18 Dec. 2009.	Dezé will record stick nests on towers during annual inspections. Recognizing that post-construction mitigation is difficult, Dezé will investigate means to make towers less conducive to nesting, rather than attempting to remove nests during operations.
EC-23	To mitigate the risk of significant adverse impacts to the environment, EC recommends that the Proponent develop and implement an Incineration Management Plan which incorporates the information provided in the EC "Technical Document for Batch Waste Incineration". The proponent should also submit an annual report providing the information described in the Meeting Report and the Technical Document.	Y	DAR-76	