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Dr. Charles Helm Chairperson, Tumbler Ridge Aspiring Geopark Steering Committee PO Box 1348 Tumbler Ridge, BC VOC 2W0

Re: Tumbler Ridge Aspiring Geopark

Dear Dr. Helm:

I am writing to offer my strong support to your efforts to gain status for the Tumbler Ridge area as a internationally designated Geopark.

Throughout the five year design, planning and construction of the Quality Wind Facility, Capital Power worked closely with the Tumbler Ridge Museum Foundation and the Wolverine Nordic & Mountain Society (WNMS) currently proposing the Tumbler Ridge Aspiring Geopark.

During that time, you and several municipal leaders and local members of these two organizations – specifically current and former Mayors Darwin Wren and Larry White, TR museum representatives Rich McCrea and Lisa Buckley, Archaelogist Sarah Waters and former TR CAO Ray Proulx – were all instrumental in providing vital input into the project that helped Capital Power understand the values and perspectives of those who live, work, and appreciate the special character of Tumbler Ridge.

As a sign of Capital Power's understanding of the rich geological resources the area holds, the company developed an Archeological Monitoring and Chance Encounter Plan to avoid or reduce any adverse effects to archaeological or heritage resources discovered during construction.

In learning about the remarkable heritage in the Tumbler Ridge area, and witnessing first-hand the passion and pride of the community, it is with great pleasure that Capital Power strongly supports this Geopark proposal, and the significant potential implications for Tumbler Ridge and the Peace Region.

Capital Power is proud to be operating in the community of Tumbler Ridge. We hope your Geopark proposal is given serious consideration and we look forward to continuing our relationship with you and the entire Tumbler Ridge community for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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