

January 28, 2025

Mr Marty Baker
Reeve
County of Vermilion River
PO Box 69
Kitscoty, AB T0B 2P0

Dear Reeve Baker:

**Re: Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership
ACE Phase 7 Regional Water Transmission**

Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors has been made aware of a dispute between the County of Vermilion River and the Alberta Central East Water Corporation (ACE) regarding a grant payment made for the above listed project.

A grant in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 was electronically transferred to the County of Vermilion River, March of 2023. I understand there was a delay in the receipt of the payment notification letter and the funding was not transferred to ACE until September 2023. As outlined in Schedule E of the agreement signed by the County of Vermilion River (attached for your reference), any interest or income earned on grant funding provided is to be used towards the eligible expenditures of the project. As such, we are requesting that any interest earned on the \$5,000,000.00 grant payment by the County of Vermilion River, between March 2023 and September 2023, be forwarded to ACE for use towards the eligible expenses of the Phase 7 Regional Water Transmission project.

We appreciate your commitment to the regional infrastructure within central Alberta.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 403-340-4867 or Ms. Denette Leask, Acting Infrastructure Manger at 403-340-5069.

Sincerely,

Stuart Richardson, P.Eng
Acting Regional Director