

2016 March 21 Damming at the Sacred Chaudiere Falls – reformatted Circle of All Nations note from November 2015

Re: ASINABKA SCARED CHAUDIERE FALLS and damming et al

1. Attached please find our Circle of All Nations November 19, 2015 letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, regarding the work of Late Algonquin Elder William Commanda, discussing constitutional provisions for the “Greater good of Canada” with respect to an avenue for intervention to stop massive development, privatization and commercialization of the SACRED CHAUDIERE SITE.

2. On November 2nd, 2015, we asked Energy Ottawa for information about the public consultations/environmental, Aboriginal and public outreach regarding the massive development plans at the Falls; we have had no response to this query.

ON NOVEMBER 16, 2015 news media advised “City, province and Hydro Ottawa celebrated the beginning of the City’s largest green energy project to date” with enough power projected for 20,000 homes”.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MASSIVE, INVASIVE excavation at this singular and presently CONTESTED geologically, culturally, historically significant sacred heritage Indigenous site, is contrary to the wishes of over 3500 (actually over 4,000) citizens who have already signed a petition to FREE THE FALLS, and that Freeing the Falls is also the top choice for the City’s own poll of citizens for top choices for celebrating Canada’s birthday in 2017 (500 votes).

NOTE further, with statistics of 2011, the 20,000 HOMES CITED REPRESENT A MERE 4 PERCENT of the homes in Ottawa. SEE page 9 of our 2015 November 1st LETTER TO P. M. Justin Trudeau on the Documents page of www.asinabka.com for Elder Commanda’s views about damming. VIEW <http://www.solarmovie.ws/watch-damnation-2014-online.html> regarding the decommissioning of dams now underway across the US; REVIEW the plight of the AMERICAN EEL, a phenomenal species already decimated by dams throughout the St Lawrence watershed; NOTE also the appeal against the City’s decision to rezone public lands at the Sacred Chaudiere Falls, contrary to the Legacy Vision of Grandfather William Commanda. PLEASE ENGAGE IN THE broad consideration of this critical matter in the National Capital Region of the Capital City.

WHAT COULD THE BENEFITS OF A FREED FALLS be to the City's resources? Consider the tourists that throng Niagara Falls, Minneapolis and Washington DC, and make the Chaudiere Falls a sacred "mecca" again.

We note that Climate Change deliberations begin with premiers in Ottawa on Nov 23, in preparation for Paris. PLEASE bring some of these considerations to the November 23 meeting and to other preparatory discussions for Paris.

Many thanks for your attention to this critically important file.