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Ontario Energy Board
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Re: Hydro Ottawa Limited 2012 Rate Application – EB-2011-0054

Dear Ms. Walli:

We are writing in response to the Board's letter of March 1, 2011 regarding electricity distributors that are scheduled to file 2012 rate applications on a cost of service basis. The letter indicates that applicants seeking to request cost of service rates effective January 1, 2012 should file their applications no later than April 29, 2011.

As noted in Appendix A to the March 1st letter, Hydro Ottawa Limited (Hydro Ottawa) is one of the electricity distributors that is scheduled to file a 2012 rate application on a cost of service basis. Also, consistent with the cost of service application made by Hydro Ottawa in respect of 2011 rates, Hydro Ottawa intends to request a January 1st effective date for its 2012 rates. However, Hydro Ottawa is very concerned that, despite all its best efforts, it may simply be unable to file its 2012 application by April 29, 2011.

Hydro Ottawa has secured additional resources to assist with the preparation of its rate application and it has taken steps to ensure that work on the application is given the highest priority that is possible while still recognizing the need for employees to fulfill other important responsibilities. It will make every reasonable effort to expedite the completion and filing of its 2012 application. Nevertheless, the April 29th date presents such a difficult challenge for Hydro Ottawa that it may well prove not to be achievable. In the event that Hydro Ottawa is not able to file the application by April 29th, it will file at the earliest possible opportunity thereafter. Hydro Ottawa trusts that the Board will consider these efforts to be within the spirit of the March 1st letter.

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If the Board has questions or concerns in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Jane Scott, Acting Director Regulatory Affairs at 613-728-5499, ext 7499 or via e-mail janescott@hydroottawa.com or myself at 613-738-5499 ext 207 or via e-mail alanhoverd@hydroottawa.com.

Yours truly,

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