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Ms. Kirstin Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Re: 2013 Cost of Service Re-basing Application EB-2012-0153

Dear Ms. Walli:

Northern Ontario Wires Inc. ("NOWI") are writing to advise the Board that, despite our best efforts, we will not be in a position to file our cost of service distribution rate application by the end of this month. We continue to work toward a timely filing, but the reasons that have caused our delay have been significant. They include:

- NOWI has recently had a change-over in senior financial staff responsible for completing the cost of service application;
- NOWI personnel have been engaged in preparing a final smart meter disposition proceeding application (EB-2012-0123). Although it is the utility's choice to file for disposition separately from the Cost of Service Application, that choice was driven by the cash flow pressure and desire to smooth customer bill impacts; and
- The additional work associated with the June 28, 2012 release of the Ontario Energy Board's Filing Requirements, including revised direction regarding IFRS.

NOWI will be filing a complete and thorough application for its 2013 Cost of Service, and we expect to file that application on, or before, October 12, 2012.

Yours Truly,

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