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BY E-MAIL
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January 6, 2015

Mr. Wayne Armstrong
Welland Hydro Electric System Corporation
P.O. Box 280
950 East Main Street
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Dear Mr. Armstrong:

**Re: Welland Hydro Electric System Corporation
Application for Rates
Board File Number EB-2014-0120**

The Board received Welland Hydro Electric System Corporation's 2015 Price Cap IR Index application on October 30, 2014. The Board has assigned it the file number EB-2014-0120. The Board's Vice President, Applications, to whom authority has been delegated under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, will make a decision on the application without holding a hearing.

Your application and details of the case schedule are available on the [2015 EDR webpage](#) of the Board's website. You are directed to make a copy of the application available in a prominent place on your company's website.

Board staff may have questions regarding the application and will be in contact with you directly, as required. The nature of the questions will determine the manner in which Board staff will seek clarification regarding the application or request additional information or material. For these purposes, Board staff may contact you by email, in writing, by telephone or, in some cases, one or more teleconferences.

In order to assist with your own planning, Board staff has scheduled a teleconference for January 15, 2015, in the event that such a teleconference is required. Please ensure that appropriate members of your staff are available at that time.

Board staff will update all applicable models based on any additional information received from you in response to Board staff's questions. All changes to the models will be documented and provided to you no later than January 22, 2015. At that time, Board staff will also outline any additional information that remains to be provided by you.

If you have any comments regarding the updated models or the additional information requested by Board staff, please provide them to Board staff by no later than January 29, 2015.

Following these steps, the Vice President, Applications will provide you with a draft of the decision that she proposes to make subject to any relevant final comments from you. These comments are to be provided within 14 days. Where possible, a draft Rate Order and all applicable models will be enclosed for comment. In some circumstances you may be required to file a separate draft Rate Order. The Vice President, Applications will consider your final comments, if any, and issue a final decision and rate order.

Please note that the timely processing of the application depends on the receipt of information within the timelines specified. Any questions relating to this letter or your application should be directed to Suresh Advani, Advisor at 416-440-7742 or Suresh.Advani@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary