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To: All Rate-regulated Electricity Distributors
    All Intervenors in 2020 Electricity Distribution Rate Applications
    All Other Interested Parties

Re: Inflation Adjustment for Energy Retailer Service Charges (EB-2019-0280)
    and Wireline Pole Attachment Charge (EB-2015-0304) for Electricity
    Distributors

In accordance with the November 29, 2018 Report of the Ontario Energy Board: Energy
Retailer Service Charges, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a Decision and Rate
Order today updating the generic retailer service charges for rate-regulated electricity
distributors by the OEB inflation factor, effective January 1, 2020. The OEB recently
announced that the inflation factor for 2020 will be 2.0%. The inflation-adjusted retailer
service charges are set out in the enclosed Decision and Rate Order.

Electricity distributors are also reminded that, pursuant to the Report of the OEB:
Wireline Pole Attachment Charges issued on March 22, 2018, the generic pole
attachment charge for wireline telecom attachments is also subject to an annual inflation
adjustment, beginning in 2020 (there was no inflation adjustment in 2019). Effective
January 1, 2020, the pole attachment charge will be $44.50 per attacher per year per
pole. This is derived by adjusting the current charge of $43.63 by the 2.0% inflation
factor. This charge has effect further to each electricity distributor’s licence condition
regarding pole access, such that a generic rate order is not required.

In preparation for any rate orders to be issued going forward for 2020 rates, the OEB
will update the Tariff of Rates and Charges for all current rate applications before the
OEB to reflect the November 28, 2019 Decision and Order and the updated pole
attachment charge.

1 See the announcement on the OEB website at: https://www.oeb.ca/industry/applications-oeb/electricity-
distribution-rates/2020-electricity-distribution-rate.
Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Vince Mazzone at vince.mazzone@oeb.ca or 416-544-5159. The OEB's toll free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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