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Ms. Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary** Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2700 P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

RE: Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation ("Bluewater Power")

2009 Rate Application

EB-2008-0221

On behalf of Bluewater Power, we are writing to advise the Board that since Bluewater Power filed its interrogatory responses, there has been a significant development that will impact Bluewater Power's proposed distribution rates.

On January 12, 2009, UBE Automotive North America Sarnia Plant Inc. ("UBE") announced that it will be closing its wheel-manufacturing plant in Sarnia (please see the article below). UBE is a customer within Bluewater Power's Large Use customer class, and it is expected that going-forward its closure will result in a deficiency of approximately \$400,000 per year based on the rates proposed in Bluewater Power's current rate application. This loss is in addition to the known deficiencies identified in response to Board Staff Interrogatory 6.1

Accordingly, Bluewater Power intends to update its evidence to illustrate the impacts and to propose a methodology to mitigate these material deficiencies. The update will be filed as soon as possible, and no later than February 2, 2009, the date that supplementary interrogatory responses are due.

Because we expect that Board staff and intervenors will have questions about the update, we request that the first day of the settlement conference (February 10th) be used for a transcribed technical conference to allow for full discovery of the impacts and proposed methodology. We encourage Board staff and intervenors to provide any questions on the update Power prior to February 10 so that Bluewater Power can prepare any additional material that is requested and present it at the technical conference and respond to any follow-up questions.

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We have discussed the process described herein with the intervenors. VECC, SEC and AMPCO endorse the proposed process, and CME requested more information on the impacts of the update before it gives an endorsement.

Yours truly,

Ogilvy Renault LLP

Andrew Taylor

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Wheel maker Ube to shut plant

January 12, 2009

THE CANADIAN PRESS

SARNIA-Ube Automotive said over the weekend it will be closing its wheel-manufacturing plant, the latest victim of the sputtering auto industry.

About 200 workers are losing their jobs over the next six months as a result of the shutdown.

Sarnia Mayor Mike Bradley calls the closure "devastating news."

The factory opened in 2002 and expanded in 2005, when it was producing 1.4 million wheels a year for automakers. The plant uses state-of-the art robotic equipment imported from Japan to manufacture aluminum wheels.

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