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April 8, 2009

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Board Staff Submission - Procedural Order No. 2  
Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. ("Greater Sudbury")  
Application for Approval of 2009 Electricity Distribution Rates  
Board File No. EB-2008-0230**

The following is the submission of Board staff addressing the procedural issues identified in the Board's Procedural Order No. 2, issued on March 31, 2009:

***a) Whether Further Discovery is Required, either in the Form of Further Interrogatories or a Technical Conference.***

Board staff found that generally the Interrogatory responses from Greater Sudbury were adequate however, Board staff has specific comments on the following areas of the Greater Sudbury interrogatory responses:

**OM&A**

Board staff found the responses to the O&M interrogatories to be complete with the exception of:

- # 19 – further clarification is desired on the cost drivers.
- # 21 i) and 1 b) follow up on the bad debt issue: bad debt may be set too low given current state of the economy, but no proposed new value is stated.
- # 23 – further clarification is desired on the Organization Chart and staff numbers.
- # 24 – further clarification is desired on Regulatory Expenses
- # 26 The Consultant report was filed and there may be some follow-up desired.

In summary, Board staff submits that in light of the small number of issues with the IR responses, a discussion with Greater Sudbury in the form of a technical conference could result in a limited number of clarification filings to address these issues and provide a basis for Settlement discussions.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by*

Harold Thiessen  
Ontario Energy Board Staff  
Case Manager EB-2008-0230

cc: All parties, EB-2008-0230