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BY EMAIL

September 12, 2007

Marita Morin
Secretary-Treasurer
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Dear Ms. Morin:

Re: Filing Deadline for Rate Rebasing –2008 Rate Application

The Board is in receipt of your letter of September 6, 2007 indicating a further delay until October 15, 2007 in the filing of your rate rebasing application for the 2008 rate year. The Board wishes to emphasize the consequences of a late filing, which were outlined in the Board's August 15, 2007 response to your correspondence indicating that the application would not be filed on August 15, 2007.

The date that an application is filed is at the discretion of the applicant, and the applicant must accept responsibility for the consequences of that choice. If Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation files on October 15, there could be a delay in processing the application to an extent that the effective date for new rates could be later than May 1, 2008. If that does occur, there is the possibility that the Board would have to consider the matter of rate retroactivity. As a matter of policy, the Board does not support retroactive rate setting; however, the unique circumstances of an individual case would prevail. Therefore, the matter of rate retroactivity would introduce another issue into the rate review for Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation's rate rebasing application.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary