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Ontario Energy Board

PO Box 2319
2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor
Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attention: Board Secretary

Subject: Notice of Application and Hearing for an electrical distribution rate change.

Dear Secretary

Strathcona Paper LP is a leading manufacture of clay coated Box Board made of 100% recycled fiber. We are located in Napanea Ontario. We are a small to medium sized paper mill facility that has been in business for 136 years and currently employs approximately 140 people.

Our pulp and paper industry sector has endured many economic down falls in the past ten years and as a survivor, we've made many changes to reduce operating and manufacturing costs to keep us competitive in this very tight and challenging global market.

As a large user of electrical power in our manufacturing process, we request that our electrical power provider which is Hydro One not be granted their application to increase distribution rates and show some fiscal restraint and take steps in reducing its distribution costs and not increase the financial burden onto its customers. These actions will in turn help the Ontario industrial manufacturing sector that has survived this economic recession stay competitive and keep current Ontario jobs in Ontario. These actions will also entice new manufacturing companies into Ontario.

I ask that you communicate our concerns to the Ontario Energy Board and make the case to hold Hydro One's operating costs in line with the overall provincial economic climate and challenges that all Ontario citizens and businesses face.

I will gladly answer any questions you may have related to our request.

Your positive actions related to our request are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

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