



September 4, 2009

By e-mail

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Re EB-2009-0158 and EB-2009-0192

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING RELATED TO THE
APPROVAL OF A SMART METER FUNDING ADDER;
NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING RELATED TO THE
RECOVERY OF LRAM/SSM AMOUNTS**

Please find enclosed responses to the Information Requests (the "Interrogatories") filed by the Ontario Energy Board Staff and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") with regards to the above Smart Meter Funding Adder Application.

The responses to the Interrogatories filed by VECC regarding the Recovery of LRAM/SSM Amounts will be filed with the Ontario Energy Board on Tuesday September 8th, as Horizon Utilities is working with SeeLine Group to validate data information.

Should you have any questions or require further information in this regard please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Original signed by Cameron McKenzie

Cameron McKenzie
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Horizon Utilities Corporation
Response to Board Staff Interrogatories
LRAM/SSM & Smart Meter Rider Applications
EB-2009-0158 & EB-2009-0192

Interrogatories related to EB-2009-0192

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Time Interval Requested

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Horizon Utilities states that it is requesting recovery by way of a rate rider effective September 1, 2009 for a seven month period ending April 30, 2010.

Board staff notes that the time interval stated is an 8 month period.

- a) Please clarify the number of months that Horizon Utilities is requesting recovery of the LRAM and SSM amounts.
- b) If the adjustment is different than the seven month period stated in the application, please make the necessary adjustments to the tables and appendices in the application.

Response:

- a. Horizon Utilities confirms that the Application is for recovery of the LRAM and SSM amounts over a period of seven (7) months. Horizon Utilities confirms that all calculations are based of the seven month period and given that responses to interrogatories are due September 4, 2009 Horizon Utilities would request that the effective be changed to October 1, 2009.
- b. No adjustment is required to the tables or appendices in this Application.

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LRAM/SSM Amounts

Ref: Manager's Summary - Page 2, 3, and 16 of 17

On page 2 of 17, Horizon Utilities stated the following:

The total LRAM amount sought from Third Tranche programs is \$909,395 (2007 claim is \$465,846 and 2008 claim is \$443,549) for 2005 and 2006 initiatives, and a total of \$51,448 (2007 claim is \$6,786 and 2008 claim is \$44,631) for the 2007 Third Tranche initiatives. The LRAM amount resulting from 2007 OPA Programs is \$146,940. Combined carrying charges on Third Tranche programs only amounts to \$89,292. The total requested LRAM recovery Horizon Utilities Corporation Recovery of Amounts Related to CDM related to all CDM activities for the 2007 and 2008 calendar years is therefore \$1,197,045."

On Page 3 of 17, Horizon Utilities states that the total amount including carrying charges is \$1,196,030.

Please confirm the correct LRAM and SSM amounts and update the application as necessary.

Response:

Horizon Utilities confirms that the correct LRAM and SSM amount included in this Application for recovery is \$1,197,045 and all calculations and tables are based on this amount therefore no adjustments to the application are required. The amount on page 3 of 17 of \$1,196,030 is a carry over from an earlier working draft of the application.