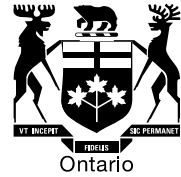


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October 29, 2009

Ross Peever
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Dear Mr. Peever:

**Re: Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.
2010 Incentive Regulation Mechanism (2010 IRM3) Rate Application
Board File Number EB-2009-0252**

This letter acknowledges the Board's receipt, on October 20, 2009, of your 2010 IRM3 application. The Board has assigned file number EB-2009-0252 to this matter. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence to the Board regarding this matter.

The Board will issue further correspondence indicating the next steps to be taken in this matter and corresponding dates.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Martin Benum at 416-440-7667, or by e-mail at martin.benum@oeb.gov.on.ca.

Yours truly,

John Pickernell
Assistant Board Secretary