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VIA MAIL and E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)
EB-2009-0260
Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc – 2010 Electricity Distribution
Rate Application**

Please find enclosed the interrogatories of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) in the above-noted proceeding.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

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CAMBRIDGE AND NORTH DUMFRIES HYDRO INC.

2010 RATE APPLICATION

EB-2009-0260

VECC'S INTERROGATORIES (ROUND #2)

(Note: Numbering carries on from the First Round Interrogatories)

Question #36

Reference: VECC #3 a)

a) Per the original question, please provide the monthly service charges and volumetric rates used for each class to prepare the schedule.

Question #37

Reference: VECC #8 c)

a) Do the additional land disposals reported for 2009 and 2010 and the revised 2010 building disposal change Cambridge and North Dumfries 2010 rate base? If not, why not? If yes, please provide a revised version of Tables #1, #21 and #24 from Exhibit 2.

Question #38

Reference: VECC #10 and Board Staff #5

a) Does the delay in the in-service date for the new CIS impact on the proposed 2010 rate base? If not, why not? If yes, please provide a revised version of Table #1 including this change plus any changes identified in response to VECC #37.

b) The response to Board Staff #5 b) indicates a number of CIS upgrades that "could" be included in 2010. Please identify the specific upgrades that Cambridge and North Dumfries is proposing to undertake for 2010 and their associated cost.

Question #39

Reference: VECC #14 and Board Staff #9 b)

Preamble: The response to Board Staff #9 b) states that the objective was to achieve an R square value of 95% and that including the population and spring/fall variable increased to value from 94.16% to 94.31%.

- a) Please explain why the focus was on the R Square value as opposed to the Adjusted R Square since the later compensates for the number of variables used?
- b) Please confirm that the inclusion of these two variables only increases the Adjusted R Square value from 93.97% to 94.0%.

Question #40

Reference: VECC #16 a)

- a) Please outline the change in activities/requirements that give rise to the need for 2 additional Customer Care Clerk positions in 2010.
- b) Are the Lineman Apprentices hired over 2007-2010 intended to increase overall staff levels or are they part of a succession plan for anticipated retirements?
 - If the later, how many of the Lineman currently employed by the Company will be eligible for retirement in the next 3 years?
 - If the former, please explain the reason for the additional three Lineman.

Question #41

Reference: VECC #29 b) and VECC #15 h)

- a) Please provide updated versions of Exhibit 2, Tables 5, 14, 15, 17 and 18 based on the revised load forecast.
- b) Please provide a schedule comparing the weather normalized use per customer for 2008 (per VECC #15 h)) with the new 2010 values per the response to part (a) above – Table 5 by customer class. Please comment on the reasonableness of any variances.

Question #42

Reference: VECC #30 b) and VECC #5 a)

a) Please explain why the %'s shown for Distribution Revenue at Existing Rates provided in response to VECC #30 b) don't match those provided in response to VECC #5 a). Note: In some cases the difference is minor but in others (such as embedded distributors) it is material.

Question #43

Reference: VECC #30 c)

a) The response provided suggests the difference is due to the fact the 2010 Cost Allocation does not include a distribution revenue amount for Embedded Distributor. However, Sheet O1 of the 2010 Cost Allocation does include an amount (\$94,473) for Embedded Distributor. Please review and explain.