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**BY E-MAIL**

March 16, 2010  
File No. 101926.1050

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
P.O. Box 2319  
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Request for Further Extension of Temporary Smart  
Metering Entity Licence  
*Application for the Smart Metering Entity Licence*  
EB-2007-0750**

The IESO requests an extension of the temporary SME license granted to the IESO by the Ontario Energy Board in its order dated September 22, 2009. The temporary license is currently set to expire on March 31, 2010. The IESO is seeking an extension until the earlier of June 30, 2010 or the Board's final decision on the SME licence application.

Over the past six months, the IESO has continued its consultations with LDCs, under the auspices of the EDA, to address issues such as MDM/R governance, the contents of the SME/LDC agreement and an appropriate rate structure for recovery of the MDM/R costs. Throughout the consultation process, the IESO has continued to bring LDCs onto the MDM/R as a key step in achieving the government's schedule for transitioning to TOU billing.

Accordingly, the IESO respectfully requests that the Board further extend its temporary SME license pursuant to subsection 21(7) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* until the earlier of June 30, 2010 or the Board's final decision on the SME licence application.

The IESO believes that no other party will be adversely affected in a material way by the further extension of its temporary SME license and requests the Board issue the extension without a hearing.

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick G. Duffy/mrs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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