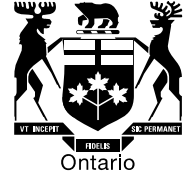


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November 19, 2007

Elizabeth Chirico
North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited
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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Chirico:

**Re: North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited
2008 Incentive Regulation Mechanism (2008 IRM) Rate Application
Board File Number EB-2007-0794**

North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited was identified in the Board's letter dated April 4, 2007 as having self-nominated for rebasing in 2008. On October 3, 2007, the Board received a letter indicating that North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited was requesting to withdraw from the 2008 rebasing process and file a 2008 IRM rate application.

The Board has considered North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited request and will process the 2008 IRM application as requested. The Board also accepts North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited letter of October 3, 2007 as a self-nomination by the company for rebasing in 2009.

The Board has issued its Notice of Application and Hearing relating to North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited 2008 IRM application. Please note that you must publish the notice within fourteen days of the date of this letter. If publication is impossible within fourteen days, you must inform the Board staff contact given at the bottom of this letter immediately.

You are directed:

- 1) To arrange immediately for the enclosed English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Ontario Energy Board", to be published in one issue of the English language newspaper

having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited's service area. Publication must be complete within fourteen days of the receipt of this letter.

- 2) To arrange immediately for the enclosed French version of the Notice headed with the Ontario Government logo and the words "Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario", to be published in one issue of the French language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited's service area. Publication must be complete within fourteen days of the receipt of this letter.

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

- 3) If North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited is a host distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its embedded distributor(s).
- 4) To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and, where applicable, service of the Notice immediately thereafter.
- 5) To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited's office and on its website, if available; and,
- 6) To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to any intervenor who requests a copy.

Board staff contact

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Angela Pachon at (416) 440 7626, or by e-mail at angela.pachon@oeb.gov.on.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary