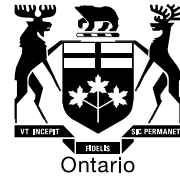


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December 30, 2010

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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Beaulne:

**Re: Hydro 2000 Inc.
Application for 2011 Distribution Rates
Board File Number EB-2010-0089**

The Ontario Energy Board has now issued its Notice of Application and Hearing (the "Notice") relating to your 2011 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation Distribution Rates 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 Secretary 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 Hydro 2000 Inc.'s service area;

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

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 Hydro 2000 Inc.'s service area;

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3. To immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on all intervenors of record in the previous cost of service rate application proceeding EB-2007-0704;
4. If Hydro 2000 Inc. 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);
5. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and service of the Notice immediately thereafter;
6. To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at Hydro 2000 Inc.'s office and on its website, if available; and,
7. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any document(s) or material(s) when serving the Notice other than document(s) or material(s) expressly required by this Letter of Direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Enclosures