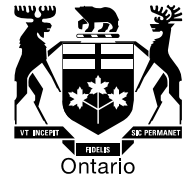


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January 25, 2011

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Board Staff Submission  
Application for a Smart Meter Funding Adder  
Horizon Utilities Corporation  
Board File No. EB-2010-0292**

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 2, Board staff's submission with respect to Horizon Utilities Corporation's ("Horizon's") application for a change to its current Smart Meter Funding Adder is to be filed today. However, in light of discussions which Board staff has had with Horizon seeking clarifications on a response to Board staff interrogatory # 5, in which Horizon requested a revised proposed Smart Meter Funding Adder, Horizon has indicated its intention to file shortly updated evidence supporting the revised proposal on the record of this proceeding.

Board staff requests that it be permitted to file its submission subsequent to receipt of this updated evidence, and believes that it can file its submission within a day or two of receipt of the new evidence. In Board staff's view, this updated evidence will be beneficial for the Board's consideration and that this delay will not have any material or adverse effect on the outcome of this proceeding.

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By*

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cc: Indy J. Butany-DeSouza, VP, Regulatory and Government Affairs, Horizon  
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