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Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Younge Street, Suite 2700 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms Walli:

Re:

Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.

2008 Incentive Rate Mechanism Application

Board File No. EB-2007-0855

Please find attached two (2) copies of responses to Ontario Energy Board staff interrogatories regarding Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.'s 2008 Incentive Rate Mechanism Application (EB-2007-0855).

An electronic copy containing all documents has been filed using the OEB's E-filing services.

Yours very truly,

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2008 Incentive Rate Mechanism Application Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp. –EB-2007-0855 Response to Ontario Energy Board Staff Interrogatories

Ref: 2008 IRM Model, Sheet 3 (2007 Tariff Sheet)

 A review of your current 2007 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges indicates that the service charges for Unmetered Scattered Load, Sentinel Lighting and Street Lighting rate classes are applied on a "per connection" basis, however your 2008 model does not reflect this.

Response

The 2008 model submitted should be revised to reflect that service charges for Unmetered Scattered Load, Sentinel Lighting, and Street Lighting are applied on a "per connection" basis.

2) A review of your current 2007 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges shows that for "Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy" the unit is "%", however your 2008 model has a unit of "\$/kW".

Response

The 2008 model submitted should be revised to reflect that the unit of measure for "Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses-applied to measure demand and energy" should be "%" not "\$/kW".

3) A review of your current 2007 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges shows A Specific Service Charge of \$10 plus installation on a time and materials basis related to "Meter upgrade requested by customer plus installation-per month". However, his charge has not been inputted in the 2008 model.

Response

The Specific Charge was deleted in the 2008 IRM for two main reasons. The first is avoiding any confusion with customer's requesting an upgrade to a Smart Meter for which Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp. is not currently authorized to install. The second reason is that there is no time frame for how long this charge is in effect for which could result in a customer paying this charge indefinitely.