# Board Staff Interrogatories Application for Exemption from Mandated Time of Use Pricing Date for Regulated Price Plan Consumers Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. EB-2010-0372 Dated January 28, 2011

# **Board Staff question 1**

### Preamble

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. states in its application that it is seeking to change its mandatory TOU pricing date to October 2011. Its current mandatory TOU pricing date is June 2011.

# Questions

- a) Please confirm the current status of Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.'s smart meter deployment and TOU implementation, including its progress on the ten milestones reported on each month.
- b) Please describe in detail the factors that Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. considered in making this application.
- c) Please identify the dates, and the number of RPP consumers on each date, by which Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. will begin billing its RPP consumers on a TOU basis, if its request for a new mandatory TOU date is granted.

# **Board Staff question 2**

#### Preamble

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. states in its application that it "has used a neighboring LDC, Ottawa River Power for billing number of years and plans to share resources for the implementation of TOU. To this end we will be using the AMI (Elster MAS) of ORPC for obtaining meter readings and the CIS (Harris NorthStar) at Ottawa River Power."

#### Questions

a) Please describe in detail the events, including timelines, which occurred since Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. submitted its baseline plan to the Board that are causing it to request a change to its mandatory TOU date.

- b) Please describe in detail the consequences of the delays on the costs of Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.'s TOU implementation plan.
- c) Are there any other factors (internal and/or external) Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. has identified that may hinder its ability to comply with its requested mandatory TOU date?