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Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Re: Ontario Energy Board File #EB-2010-0122 2011 IRM3 Electricity Distribution Rate Application Westario Power Inc. Board Staff Interrogatories

Dear Ms Walli:

In accordance with the Notice of Application and Written Hearing, please find attached Westario Power Inc.'s (WPI) responses to the Board Staff Interrogatories in the above proceeding. We enclose two (2) hard copies of WPI's Interrogatory Responses and WPI will also file electronic versions via e-mail to boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca and an electronic filing of the application through the Board's RESS portal.

If there are any questions, please contact myself at 519-507-6666 ext. 211, email alvin.allim@westario.com or Lisa Milne at 519-507-6666 ext. 216, email lisa.milne@westario.com.

Yours truly,

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Responses to Board Staff Interrogatories 2011 IRM3 Electricity Distribution Rates Westario Power Inc. ("Westario") EB-2010-0122

<u>Disposition of Group 1 Deferral / Variance Account Balances</u>

Board Staff Interrogatory No. 1 - Ref: 2011 IRM3 Deferral and Variance Account Workform

Board staff notes that no data has been entered for Billed kWh for Non-RPP customers on Sheet B1.3 of the 2011 IRM3 Deferral and Variance Account Workform. This results in the Workform not calculating a rate rider to recover the \$502,826 debit related to the Global Adjustment Sub-Account.

Questions / Requests:

a) Please explain why no data has been entered in the Column for Billed kWh for Non-RPP customers. If this was an error, please provide the relevant data and Board staff will make corrections to the 2011 IRM3 Deferral and Variance Account Workform and also make the relevant updates to the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator.

Response:

Westario Power did not provide the billing data for Non-RPP customers due to an oversight on our behalf. However, Westario Power sought clarification from Board staff on the type of data to report and has provided it below as requested:

		Billed kWh for
		Non-RPP
	Metered kWh	Customers
Residential	206,159,208	28,215,897
General Service < 50 kW	69,469,398	14,301,152
General Service > 50 kW	164,654,485	134,790,828
Unmetered Scattered Load	341,239	62,412
Sentinel Lighting	17,848	2,049
Street Lights	5,615,940	2,807,924

Please note that the "Billed kWh for Non-RPP Customers" include the relevant uplift factor.

RTSR Adjustments

Board Staff Interrogatory No. 2 - Ref: 2011 IRM3 RTSR Adjustment Workform

Questions / Requests:

a) Please confirm that the data entered in Column A (metered kWh) is metered data (i.e. no loss factor applied). If a loss factor has been applied to the data in Column A, please re-file the data for Column A and Board staff will make the relevant corrections to the RTSR Workform.

Response:

Westario Power confirms that the metered data originally submitted included the loss factor. Please find below, metered data without the loss factor applied:

	Metered kWh
Residential	206,159,208
General Service < 50 kW	69,469,398
General Service > 50 kW	164,654,485
Unmetered Scattered Load	341,239
Sentinel Lighting	17,848
Street Lights	5,615,940

Shared Tax Savings

Board Staff Interrogatory No. 3 - Ref: 2011 IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform; Ref: 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator

Board staff notes that the "Rate ReBal Base Rates" from Sheet E1.1 of the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator are supposed to be entered on Sheet B1.1 of the 2011 IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform.

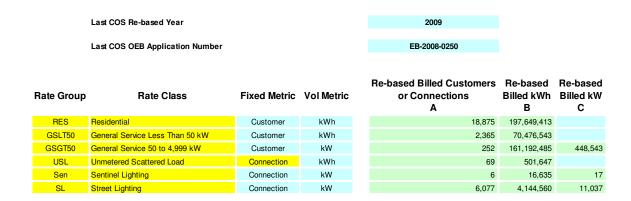
Questions / Requests:

 a) Please explain the discrepancies between the two sheets cited above. If there are errors, please advise and Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response:

The information provided on Sheet B1.1 of the 2011IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform came from an earlier version of the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator model. Westario Power confirms that the "Rate Rebalanced Base Distribution Rates" of the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator as submitted, is correct and should be used in the Shared Tax Savings Workform. Additionally, Westario Power would like to

bring to the attention of Board staff that Sheet "B1.1 – Rate Class and Re-based Billing Determinants & Rates" of the 2011IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform, the last rate class should be "SL – Street Lighting", as shown below:



Board Staff Interrogatory No. 4 - Ref: 2011 IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform

Questions / Requests:

 a) Board staff has been unable to verify the data entered on Sheet F1.1 of the 2011 IRM3 Shared Tax Savings Workform. Please provide evidence supporting this data.

Response:

Westario Power directs Board staff to EB-2008-0238, Decision and Order dated April 24, 2009. Specifically, Exhibit A, Revenue Requirement Work Form, Sheet 3. This information has been reproduced for Board staff to review:

Calculation of Taxable Capital:

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P7 Capital Taxes			Rates and exemptions from sheet Y
	2008	2009	
OCT (Ontario Capital Tax):			
Rate Base	32,256,716	33,524,934	'Calculated Value' from sheet E3
Less: Exemption	12,500,000	15,000,000	
Deemed Taxable Capital	19,756,716	18,524,934	
Tax Rate	0.225%	0.225%	
OCT payable	44,453	41,681	
Federal LCT (Large Corporations Tax):			
Rate Base	32,256,716	33,524,934	
Less: Exemption	50,000,000	50,000,000	
Deemed Taxable Capital			
Tax Rate			
LCT payable			

<u>Calculation of Regulatory Taxable Income</u>:



REVENUE REQUIREMENT WORK FORM

Name of LDC: WESTARIO POWER INC.

File Number: EB-2008-0250

Rate Year: 2009

	l axes/PILs				
Line No.	Particulars	Application	Per Board Decision		
	Determination of Taxable Income				
1	Utility net income	\$1,248,817	\$1,178,128		
2	Adjustments required to arrive at taxable utility income	\$487,960	(\$287,148)		
3	Taxable income	\$1,736,777	\$890,980		
	Calculation of Utility income Taxes				
4 5	Income taxes Capital taxes	\$573,168 \$41,681	\$237,460 \$41,681		
6	Total taxes	\$614,849	\$279,141		
7	Gross-up of Income Taxes	\$282,307	\$85,835		
8	Grossed-up Income Taxes	\$855,475	\$323,295		
9	PILs / tax Allowance (Grossed-up Income taxes + Capital taxes)	\$897,156	\$364,976		
10	Other tax Credits	\$ -	\$ -		
	Tax Rates				
11 12 13	Federal tax (%) Provincial tax (%) Total tax rate (%)	19.00% 14.00% 33.00%	19.00% 7.55% 26.55%		
12	Provincial tax (%)	14.00%	7		