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BY E-MAIL

April 11, 2011

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.
2011 IRM3 Distribution Rate Application
Board Staff Interrogatories
Board File No. EB-2011-0049**

In accordance with the Notice of Application and Written Hearing, please find attached Board Staff Interrogatories in the above proceeding. Please forward the following to Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. and to all other registered parties to this proceeding.

In addition please advise Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. that responses to interrogatories are due by April 20, 2011.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Birgit Armstrong
Advisor – Applications & Regulatory Audit

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Board Staff Interrogatories

2011 IRM3 Electricity Distribution Rates Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. ("Norfolk") EB-2011-0049

1. Board Staff Interrogatory

Ref: Manager's Summary – Page 1

On page 1 of the Manager's Summary Norfolk Power requested that, in the event of this application not being approved prior to May 1, 2011, its existing rates be declared interim as of May 1, 2011.

Question/ Request:

Were the Board to deny May 1, 2001 as the effective date for the rate changes, please provide the foregone revenue rate riders for the following scenarios assuming that the rate riders would be in place from the effective date of the rate change to April 30, 2012.

- Effective date of June 1, 2011.
- Effective date of July 1, 2011.

2. Board Staff Interrogatory

Ref: 2011 IRM3 Tax Module

Sheet "B1.1 Re-Based Bill Det & Rates" of the 2011 IRM3 Tax Module is reproduced below.

Rate Class and Re-Based Billing Determinants & Rates

Last COS Re-based Year				2008					
Last COS OEB Application Number				EB-2007-0753					
Rate Group	Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Re-based Billed Customers or Connections A	Re-based Billed kWh B	Re-based Billed kW C	Rate ReBal Base Service Charge D	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kWh E	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kW F
RES	Residential	Customer	kWh	16,607	147,447,515		20.91	0.0198	
GSLT50	General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	2,058	64,081,972		49.33	0.0145	
GSGT50	General Service 50 to 499 kW	Customer	kW	166	189,745,291	403,334	242.37		3.8907
Sen	Sentinel Lighting	Connection	kW	400	342,469	345	4.90		12.2817
SL	Street Lighting	Connection	kW	3,091	3,101,236	9,478	1.60		5.6166
USL	Unmetered Scattered Load	Connection	kWh	51	406,396		26.33	0.0155	

Question/ Request:

- a) Board staff has been unable to verify the data provided in columns A, B and C. Please provide supporting evidence.
- b) Please explain why rates in columns D, E and F are not consistent with rates from Sheet "E1.1 Rate Reb Base Dist Rts Gen" of the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator. If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary adjustments to the Tax Sharing model.

3. Board Staff Interrogatory

Ref: Rate Generator Model

Sheet "C2.3 Def Var Disp 2010" of the 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator is reproduced below.

Rate Rider	Def Var Disp 2010					
Sunset Date	April 30, 2011 <small>DD/MM/YYYY</small>					
Metric Applied To	All Customers					
Method of Application	Distinct Volumetric					
Rate Class	Applied to Class	Fixed Amount	Fixed Metric	Vol Amount	Vol Metric	
Residential Regular	Yes	0.000000	Customer per 30 days	-0.001500	kWh	
General Service Less Than 50 kW	Yes	0.000000	Customer per 30 days	-0.001500	kWh	
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Yes	0.000000	Customer per 30 days	-0.719520	kW	
Unmetered Scattered Load	Yes	0.000000	Customer per 30 days	-0.001700	kWh	
Sentinel Lighting	Yes	0.000000	Connection -12 per year	-0.416200	kW	
Street Lighting	Yes	0.000000	Connection -12 per year	-0.509200	kW	

Question/ Request:

- a) Please explain why the rate rider for the GS >50 customer class in the amount of -0.719520 differs from Norfolk's current tariff of rates and charges. If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary adjustments to the Rate Generator.