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May 6, 2011

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2700 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

#### Re: Essex Powerlines Corporation – Extension to Mandated Time-of-Use Pricing Date for Regulated Price Plan Consumers Board File No.: EB-2011-0072

Please find enclosed Board Staff interrogatories respecting the above application.

Please forward the interrogatories along with this cover letter to the applicant in this proceeding.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

George Dimitropoulos Analyst, Licence Applications

Attachment

# Board Staff Interrogatories Application for Extension to Mandated Time-of-Use Pricing Date for Regulated Price Plan Consumers Essex Powerlines Corporation EB-2011-0072 Dated May 6, 2011

## Board Staff question 1

## Preamble

Essex Powerlines Corporation ("Essex Powerlines") filed an application dated March 8, 2011 with the Ontario Energy Board for a licence amendment granting an extension in relation to the mandated date for the implementation of Time-of-Use ("TOU") pricing rates for Regulated Price Plan consumers.

Essex Powerlines has applied for an extension to its June 2011 mandated TOU pricing date and requested a new date of December 2011. Essex Powerlines states the extension is necessary due to delays experienced as a result of a work stoppage at Essex Powerlines.

## **Questions**

- a) Please confirm the status of Essex Powerlines's smart meter deployment and TOU implementation as of May 1, 2011.
- b) Please update the Board on the status of the work stoppage at Essex Powerlines and how long Essex Powerlines would require to complete TOU implementation upon resolution of the stoppage.
- c) Are there any other factors (internal and/or external) that Essex Powerlines has identified that may hinder its ability to comply with their requested mandated TOU date?