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Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street  
27th Floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2010-0250 – Canadian Niagara Power Inc. ("CNPI"): GEA Deferral Account**

On behalf of CNPI, we are writing in regard to the above-referenced matter. By letter dated March 29, 2011 to the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), the Minister of Energy suggested that the Board request further analysis for the East-West Tie from the Ontario Power Authority (the "OPA") to support the initiation of a designation process. In response, the Board sent a letter to the OPA dated April 25, 2011, in which the Board gave the OPA until the end of June 2011 to file a report, but preferably earlier, to allow the Board to "move ahead expeditiously" in regard to a designation process for the East-West Tie. As such, it is now apparent that we are on the cusp of the OPA releasing an ECT report for the East-West Tie.

Unfortunately, despite the fact that CNPI applied for a green energy deferral account almost a year ago, and despite the fact that an ECT report could be filed by the OPA any day now, CNPI has not yet received a decision from the Board on its application. CNPI also wishes to "move ahead expeditiously" with its designation application for the East-West Tie. To do so, it requires confirmation that it can record its preliminary costs associated with its designation application.

To that end, we respectfully request that the Board issue a decision in this proceeding as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Andrew Taylor