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May 20, 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's submission respecting the above application.

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

Yours truly,

Original signed by

George Dimitropoulos Advisor, Licence Applications

Attachment



ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

BOARD STAFF SUBMISSION

Application for Extension to Mandated Time of Use Pricing Date for Regulated Price Plan Consumers

Essex Powerlines Corporation

EB-2011-0072

May 20, 2011

BACKGROUND

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.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on April 19, 2011. Board staff filed interrogatories on the application on May 6, 2011. Essex Powerlines responded to these interrogatories on May 13, 2011.

This submission is being provided by Board staff following a review of the application and evidence filed in this proceeding.

STAFF SUBMISSION

Having reviewed the application and evidence, Board staff has no issue with Essex Powerlines' request.

However, Board staff submits that if Essex Powerlines' work stoppage continues to the point that Essex Powerlines is unable to implement a TOU rollout schedule that meets a new December 2011 date it should re-apply to the Board for a new extended date.

All of which is respectfully submitted.