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July 6, 2011

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Veridian Connections Inc. – Extension to Mandated Time-of-Use  
Pricing Date for Certain Regulated Price Plan Consumers  
Board File No.: EB-2011-0132**

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 Certain Regulated Price Plan Consumers**

**Veridian Connections Inc.**

**EB-2011-0132**

July 6, 2011

## **BACKGROUND**

Veridian Connections Inc. (“Veridian”) filed an application dated May 4, 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 certain Regulated Price Plan consumers.

Veridian applied for an extension from its June 2011 TOU pricing date and requested a new date of December 31, 2011 for approximately 7,100 customers residing in hard to reach locations in Veridian’s service area. Veridian states the extension is necessary due to its smart meter installations being delayed due to restricted access to the meter base, physical barriers in front of meter bases, and difficulties in scheduling power interruptions for the affected customers.

The Board issued the Notice of Application and Written Hearing for the application on May 26, 2011. Board staff filed interrogatories on the application on June 16, 2011. Veridian responded to these interrogatories on June 30, 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 Veridian’s request.

All of which is respectfully submitted