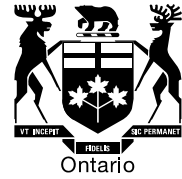


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BY E-MAIL

December 6, 2011

Steven Blier
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Dear Mr. Blier:

**Re: Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited
Application for Rates
Application Board File Number EB-2011-0171**

This will acknowledge receipt on October 14, 2011 of your 2012 IRM3 rate application. The Board has assigned File Number EB-2011-0171 to this matter. Please refer to this file number in all future correspondence to the Board regarding this matter. All information related to this matter must be filed with the Board Secretary.

Please direct any questions relating to this matter to Georgette Vlahos, Analyst at +1 (416) 544-5169 or e-mail georgette.vlahos@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

John Pickernell
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