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**BY E-MAIL ONLY**

January 5, 2012

Mr. Donald D. Rennick  
392 Surrey Drive  
North Bay, ON P1C 1E3

Dear Mr. Rennick:

**Re: North Bay Hydro Distribution Ltd. ("North Bay")  
2012 Incentive Regulation Mechanism (2012 IRM) Rate Application  
Board File Number EB-2011-0187**

The Board is in receipt of your follow-up interrogatories dated December 23, 2011.

The Board has determined that North Bay will not be required to answer these supplementary interrogatories. The Board makes this determination for the reasons that follow.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on October 24, 2011 setting out the process for the review of this application including dates for Board staff and intervenors to file written interrogatories, for North Bay to file responses to the interrogatories, for written final submissions by intervenors and Board staff and for North Bay to respond to these submissions. No provision was made for a second round of interrogatories.

The Board has reviewed the supplemental interrogatories that you have submitted which relate to regulatory policy, ratemaking principles, and the Board's 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation model, and the rationale you have provided to support the submission of supplemental interrogatories. The Board is of the view that the supplemental interrogatories filed are either beyond the scope of this proceeding or are not likely to be helpful to the Board with respect to making the determinations necessary for setting North Bay's 2012 rates. As such, the Board will not issue a Procedural Order to provide for an additional round of interrogatories.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

cc: Melissa Wanner, Regulatory Manager, North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited  
All registered parties to this proceeding