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VIA MAIL and E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board** P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge St. Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

#### Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) Re: EB-2010-0018: Interrogatories

Please find enclosed the interrogatories of VECC in the above-noted proceeding.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

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Michael Buonaguro Counsel for VECC Encl.

#### Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. (Norfolk)

2012 Rates Application, EB-2011-0272

Round 2 Interrogatories/Technical Conference Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC")

# RATE BASE

- 1 Reference: Board Staff # 21
- a) Please update the 2011 subdivision costs based based on projects completed at year end.
- b) How many new lots were serviced in 2011?

# LOAD FORECAST AND REVENUE OFFSETS

#### 2 Reference: Board Staff #41

- a) Please confirm that actual values reported for January August 2011 have not been weather normalized.
- b) Please confirm whether the "Predicted Power Purchased" values shown are based on weather normal conditions or the actual HDD/CDD values for each month.
- c) If the predicted values are based on weather normal conditions, please re-do the "predicted values" using the actual weather conditions for each month.

#### 3 Reference: Board Staff #42

- a) In Table 2.5 of the original Application please confirm whether the predicted values for 2003-2010 are based on that year's actual HDD/CDD values or the weather normal values.
- b) If based on actual values, please reconcile this fact with the response to Board Staff #42.
- c) If based on "weather normal values", please re-do Table 2.5 using the actual HDD/CDD values for each year as the basis for the prediction.

#### 4 Reference: Board Staff #43

- a) What does the 7.5% translate into in terms of kWh savings for the month and for the year to date?
- b) Please explain the basis for the 7.5% kWh savings value quoted as at September 2011.

#### 5 Reference: Board Staff #5 Energy Probe #16 b)

- a) Please explain why the RRWF was not revised to reflect the updated load forecast for 2012 as per Energy Probe #16 b).
- b) If appropriate, please provide a revised RRWF.
- 6 Reference: Energy Probe #18
- a) Please update the response to reflect the most recent year-to-date values for 2010 and 2011.

#### 7 Reference: Energy Probe #19 Board Staff #37 c) Board Staff #5

- a) Please reconcile the increased number of MicroFit connections reported in Energy Probe #19 for 2010 and 2011 with the annual connections forecast In Board Staff #37 c).
- b) Board Staff #5 reports a revised MicroFit Revenue for 2012 of \$5,130. However, Energy Probe #19 reports a value of \$5,103. Please reconcile.

# COST ALLOCATION

#### 8 Reference: VECC #25 a)

- a) Please explain why, in the current cost allocation, there are now no Services weighting factors for Street Lights, Sentinel Lights or USL.
- b) Please provide the basis for the revised Billing and Collecting weighting factors.

### 9 Reference: VECC #25 b) and c)

- a) How many GS<50 customers have transformer rated or poly-phase type meters (i.e., comparable to the 480 Residential customers)?
- b) In Sheet I7.1 of the Cost Allocation model all Residential and GS<50 customers are shown as having the \$200 smart meter. Please reconcile this with the response provided to VECC #25 b) which suggests that some of the customers in both classes use poly-phase meter.</p>
- c) What is the average cost of these transformer rated/poly-phase meters on a comparable basis to the \$200 smart meter?
- d) In Sheet I7.1 of the Cost Allocation model the vast majority of GS>50 customers (146 out of 167) are shown as having the \$200 smart meter. However, the response to VECC #25 c) suggests that all GS>50 customers have a different type of meter. Please reconcile.
- e) What is the average cost of the meters capable of recording demand and vars as used for the majority of the GS>50 customers? Are these meters capable of recording time of use and, if not, why isn't this necessary?
- f) Please provide a revised Cost Allocation where Sheet I7.1 has been updated to reflect the types of meters (and cost of meters) actually used for each customer class.