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Dear Ms. Walli

Re: Ontario Power Generation 2013-2014 Payment Amounts (EB-2012-0002) – Niagara Tunnel Project Prudence Review

The PWU represents a large portion of the employees working in Ontariocs electricity industry and has utmost interest in regulatory proceedings that impact the provision of electricity service adequacy, reliability and safety to customers. Attached please find a list of PWU employers.

The Ontario Energy Board (the %Board+or %DEB+) issued a letter on March 26, 2012 inviting comments on a March 12, 2012 Ontario Power Generation (%DPG+) proposal to file a separate application in 2013 for the review of the reasonableness of the costs associated with the Niagara Tunnel Project (%NTP+).

The PWU supports OPG proposal for an OEB prudence review of the NTP in 2013 for the reasons provided in OPG letter of March 12, 2012 including:

- Focus of the review on the NTP evidence given the size and complexity of the project;
- Number of other substantial issues to be addressed in the 2013-2014 payment amount proceeding other than the NTP;
- Enhanced overall accuracy of NTP costs and schedule forecast that will be available in 2013 compared to 2012; and
- No ratepayer impact from the proposal.



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revenue requirement that forms the basis of the 2013-2014 Payments Amount Application and to recover the NTP costs approved by the Board via a rate rider that would come into effect in 2014 following the December 31, 2013 anticipated NTP in-service date.

We hope you will find the PWUs comments useful.

Yours very truly,

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