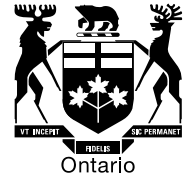


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August 23, 2012

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Board Staff Submission
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.
Board File Number EB-2011-0274**

Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc., ("Rideau") together with the intervenors in this proceeding, filed a proposed Settlement Agreement on July 26, 2012. The Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") issued its Decision on August 9, 2012, in which it approved the Settlement Agreement. The Board directed Rideau to file a Draft Rate Order as well as foregone revenue rate riders that would allow for recovery of the deficiency incurred during the period between the effective date (July 1, 2012) and the implementation date (September 1, 2012).

Rideau filed a Draft Rate Order on August 16, 2012. The filing includes the tariff of rates and charges, including foregone revenue rate riders, together with supporting documentation for all of the rates and rate riders.

Board staff has reviewed the Draft Rate Order and believes that the rates, rate riders, and charges are consistent with the Settlement Agreement and are calculated correctly.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By
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