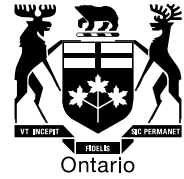


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December 12, 2012

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.
Application for Rates
Application Board File Number EB-2012-0164**

This letter is in response to the Board's letter, dated December 12, 2012, seeking an explanation as to why Board staff has requested for an extension to file interrogatories in the above manner. Through an administrative oversight, Board staff did not file interrogatories by the deadline of December 7, 2012. Board staff requests a minor extension to file interrogatories in order for Board staff to help complete the evidentiary record in this proceeding. As noted in our previous letter, Board staff suggests that any responses from the applicant be due by January 11, 2013.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Josh Wasylyk
Advisor, Applications

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