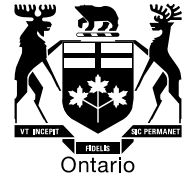


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BY E-MAIL

December 13, 2012

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Dear Mr. Walsh:

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

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, please find attached Board Staff Interrogatories in the above proceeding.

As a reminder, Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.'s responses to interrogatories are due by Friday, January 11, 2013.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Josh Wasylyk
Advisor, Applications & Regulatory Audit

Encl.

**Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("Rideau")
2013 IRM3 Rate Application
EB-2012-0164
Board staff Interrogatories**

Question #1

Ref: Manager's Summary, Page 7 of 34, Deferral and Variance Account Rate Riders

Rideau notes that it is seeking final disposition of the balances in the Group 1 variance accounts with the exception of Account 1588 RSVA – Power (excluding Global Adjustment) and Account 1588 RSVA – Power – Sub-account – Global Adjustment. Rideau further notes that the balances in the two 1588 accounts is subject to a regulatory audit prior to final disposition, as outlined in its 2012 cost of service settlement agreement which was accepted by the Board.

- a) Please discuss the status of the audit of Account 1588 RSVA.
- b) Please discuss when Rideau expects to file for disposition of the amounts in these accounts.

Question #2

Ref: A portion of the 2012 IRM3 RTSR Work form, Sheet 4 is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Unit	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW	Applicable Loss Factor	Load Factor	Loss Adjusted Billed kWh	Billed kW
Residential	kWh	43,287,278		1.0797		46,737,274	-
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	20,434,679		1.0797		22,063,323	-
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	kW	38,800,538	117,906		45.10%	38,800,538	117,906
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW – Interval Metered	kW	4,230,670	12,856		45.10%	4,230,670	12,856
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	495,379		1.0797		534,861	-
Sentinel Lighting	kW	108,262	108		137.39%	108,262	108
Street Lighting	kW	1,453,874	3,941		50.56%	1,453,874	3,941

- a) Please confirm that the amounts entered into the columns "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh" and "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW" have not been adjusted by Rideau's Board-approved loss factor.

Question #3

Ref: 2013 IRM Application, Appendix A, LRAM/LRAMVA Support Documents

Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management (EB-2012-0003), Section 13: LRAM

Rideau is seeking recovery of an LRAM amount of \$15,108.73 for lost revenues realized in 2011 from CDM programs implemented between 2006 and 2010.

- a) Please confirm the scope of Rideau's LRAM request is only to recover persisting lost revenues realized in 2011 from CDM programs implemented between 2006 and 2010. If this is not accurate, please discuss the scope of the LRAM request.
- b) Please confirm that Rideau has used final 2010 program evaluation results from the OPA to calculate its LRAM amount.
- c) If Rideau did not use final 2010 program evaluation results from the OPA, please explain why and update the LRAM amount accordingly.
- d) Please provide a table that shows the LRAM amounts Rideau has collected historically.
- e) Please confirm that Rideau has not received any of the lost revenues requested in this application in the past. If Rideau has collected lost revenues related to programs applied for in this application, please discuss the appropriateness of this request.
- f) Please provide a table that shows the LRAM amounts requested in this application by the year they are associated with and the year the lost revenues took place, divided by rate class within each year. Use the table below as an example and continue for all the years LRAM is requested:

Program Years (Divided by rate class)	Years that lost revenues took place
	2011
2006	\$xxx
2007	\$xxx
2008	\$xxx
2009	\$xxx
2010	\$xxx

- g) Please discuss if Rideau is applying for carrying charges on the LRAM amounts requested in this application.
- h) If Rideau is requesting carrying charges, please provide a table that shows the monthly LRAM balances, the Board-approved carrying charge rate and the total carrying charges by month for the duration of this LRAM request to support your request for carrying charges. Use the table below as an example:

Year	Month	Monthly Lost Revenue	Closing Balance	Interest Rate	Interest \$

- i) Please provide proposed LRAM rate riders for all rate classes, separate from any LRAMVA amounts for lost revenues associated with programs contributing to Rideau's CDM Targets.

Question #4

Ref: 2013 IRM Application, Appendix A, LRAM/LRAMVA Support Documents

Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management (EB-2012-0003), Section 13: LRAM

Rideau has proposed to dispose of the balance of its LRAMVA in account 1568 of \$5,125.58. Section 13.4 of the CDM Guidelines state that distributors may apply for disposition of the balance in the LRAMVA on an annual basis as part of their IRM rate applications, if the balance is deemed significant by the applicant.

- a) Please provide evidence that supports the assumption that Rideau's LRAMVA amount is significant.
- b) Please confirm that Rideau has used final 2011 program evaluation results from the OPA to calculate its LRAMVA amount.
- c) Please confirm that Rideau's load forecast was not adjusted to account for CDM impacts in 2011.
- d) Please provide proposed LRAMVA rate riders, separate from any LRAM amounts for lost revenues associated with pre-2011 programs.