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BY E-MAIL

December 17, 2012

Jennifer Uchmanowicz
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation
598 Second Avenue
Espanola ON P5E 1C4

LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Uchmanowicz:

Re: Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation

Application for 2013 Distribution Rates Board File Number: EB-2012-0122

The Ontario Energy Board has now issued its Notice of Application and Hearing relating to your 2013 incentive regulation mechanism application (the "Notice"). Please note that you must publish the Notice within **fourteen days** of the date of this letter. If publication is not possible within fourteen days, you must inform the Board Secretary immediately.

You are directed:

- To arrange immediately for the publication of the English version of the Notice, in the form accompanying this Letter of Direction, including all graphics and the words "Ontario Energy Board", in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest circulation, according to the best information available, in Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's service area;
- 2. To arrange immediately for the publication of the French version of the Notice, in the form accompanying this Letter of Direction, including all graphics and the words "Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario", in one issue of the French language newspaper having the highest circulation, according to the best

information available, in Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's service area;

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

 To immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on all intervenors of record in Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's previous cost of service rate proceeding EB-2011-0319, namely;

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

- 4. If Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation is a Host Distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its Embedded Distributor(s);
- 5. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and service of the Notice immediately thereafter;
- 6. To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's office and on its website;
- 7. To make a copy of the Notice available for public review at Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's office and on its website; and,
- 8. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any document(s) or material(s) when serving the Notice other than document(s) or material(s) expressly required by this Letter of Direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Encl.