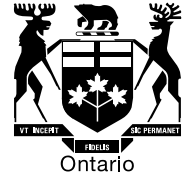


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December 17, 2012

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Northern Ontario Wires Inc.
Application for Smart Meter Cost Recovery
Board Staff Submission
Board File Number EB-2012-0353**

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

As a reminder, Northern Ontario Wires Inc.'s Reply Submission is due by January 9, 2013.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Vince Mazzone
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Attachment