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Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Ontario Energy Board

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2300 Yonge St, 27th floor

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (“THESL”)
Smart Meter Entity Charge, Implementation Date Variance Request
OEB Case No. EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211 (“SME Decision”)**

THESL writes in respect of the above-noted matter.

In the SME Decision, the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) ordered that:

“Effective May 1, 2013, the Smart Metering Entity charge to be levied and collected by Distributors identified in the Board’s annual Yearbook of Electricity Distributors from Residential and General Service <50kW customers shall be \$0.79 per month. The Smart Metering Entity charge shall be in effect from May 1, 2013 to October 31, 2018.”

Concurrent with this letter, THESL is filing a Draft Rate Order with the OEB for 2012/2013 distribution rates arising from the OEB’s EB-2012-0064 decision. As part of that Draft Rate Order, THESL is seeking implementation of various distribution rates and rate riders as of June 1, 2013.

In order to minimize the number of times bill components in the Delivery portion of customer bills are changed, THESL is seeking a variance from the above-noted SME Decision order. To avoid potential

inconvenience or confusion for ratepayers, THESL seeks to implement the Smart Meter Entity (“SME”) charge simultaneously with distribution rates and rate riders on June 1, 2013.

The OEB has previously indicated the variances between that SME amounts charged to LDCs by the IESO and amounts collected by LDCs from their customers are to be recorded in a regulatory variance account. THESL intends to record the May 2013 IESO SME charge to this account.

Yours truly,

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cc: Intervenor of Record for EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211, by electronic mail only