



PETERBOROUGH DISTRIBUTION INC.

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Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
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Dear: Ms. Walli

**Re: Peterborough Distribution Inc. (PDI) 2013 Cost of Service Electricity
Distribution Rate Application EB-2012-0160
Request for Confidentiality**

Peterborough Distribution Inc. is requesting confidentiality in response to Interrogatory 1-SEC-4 to provide 2012 audited financial statements for Peterborough Utilities Inc (PUI).

PUI is a corporation engaged in competitive businesses. The public disclosure of its financial statements could reasonably be expected to prejudice the economic interest of, significantly prejudice the competitive position of, cause undue financial loss to, and be injurious to the financial interest of each of these consultants since it would enable its competitors and potential customers and suppliers to ascertain the financial condition of the company.

The Board's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings* (the "Practice Direction") recognizes that these are among the factors that the Board will take into consideration when addressing the confidentiality of filings. They are also addressed in section 17(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* ("FIPPA"), and the Practice Direction notes (at Appendix B of the Practice Direction) that third party information as described in subsection 17(1) of FIPPA is among the types of information previously assessed or maintained by the OEB as confidential. PDI has requested the company's consent to the placement of the financial statements on the public record and it has requested that the document be kept in confidence. Accordingly, PDI requests that the PUI financial statements be kept confidential. PDI is prepared to provide copies of the PUI's financial statements to parties' counsel and experts or consultants provided that they have executed the OEB's form of Declaration and Undertaking with respect to

confidentiality and that they comply with the Practice Direction, subject to PDI's right to object to the OEB's acceptance of a Declaration and Undertaking from any person. In keeping with the Practice Direction, PDI is filing a confidential unredacted version of the PUI financial statements. The unredacted version of the document has been placed in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential". A copy of this letter will be served on Energy Probe, School Energy Coalition and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition.

If you require any further information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



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