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VIA COURIER, RESS & EMAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: East-West Tie Designation Proceeding
Phase 2 Decision and Order
Board File Number EB-2011-0140

The Ontario Power Authority ("OPA") has received the Ontario Energy Board's ("Board") Phase 2 Decision and Order for the East-West Tie designation proceeding, dated August 7, 2013. In its Decision and Order, the Board ordered that:

"The OPA shall, within 21 days of the date of this decision, file with the Board a schedule for the production of an early detailed need update and a further need update at the approximate midpoint of development work, as described above."

Accordingly, the OPA is filing the following schedule:

- 1. The OPA will produce and file with the Board an early detailed need update for the East-West Tie project by October 8, 2013.
- 2. The OPA will produce and file with the Board a further need update for the East-West Tie project by May 5, 2014. The OPA has confirmed with Upper Canada Transmission Inc. o/a NextBridge that this date is the approximate mid-point in NextBridge's development schedule.

Sincerely,

Charlene de Boer

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