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October 21, 2013

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street Suite 2700 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc. Application for Distribution Rates Effective January 1, 2014 Board File No. EB-2013-0124 Interrogatory Responses

Please find attached Enersource's responses to interrogatories in the abovecaptioned proceeding.

Two sets of hard copies of all the interrogatory responses will be sent to the Board in addition to filing this via RESS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (905) 283-4098.

Sincerely,

(Original signed by)

Gia M. DeJulio Director, Regulatory Affairs

cc. Dan J. Pastoric, Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer All Intervenors EB-2013-0124 (Cover letter by email)

Interrogatory #1

Board Staff

Appendix H, Enersource Disposition Adjustment

1. Ref: Appendix H

Enersource has created a separate model that replicates the billing determinants, allocation and calculation of variance and deferral account rate riders for Group 1 disposition found in the Board's 2014 IRM Rate Generator Model, specifically worksheet 6 and 8. In this separate model, Enersource's total claim for disposition of its Group 1 Account balances is a debit of \$10,611,807.

- a) Please confirm that the Group 1 Account balances requested for disposition are a credit and not a debit.
- b) Board staff requests Enersource to replicate the \$10,611,807 using the continuity schedule on worksheet 5 of the Board's 2014 IRM Rate Generator Model, which is attached (please also refer to Board staff interrogatory 2a when completing the model).

Response:

- a) Enersource confirms that the Group 1 Account balances requested for disposition are a credit, and thus, are proposed to be refunded back to customers in 2014.
- b) Enersource has updated Worksheet 5 of Attachment D, the Board's 2014 Rate Generator Model, reflecting the Group 1 Account credit balance of \$10,611,807 requested for disposition. This has been filed separately as a live Excel spreadsheet to accompany this response.

Please see the response to Board Staff #2 for further discussion on the Attachment D filed with the original evidence.

Interrogatory #2

Board Staff

2014 IRM Rate Generator

2. Ref: Portions of Sheet 5 "2014 Continuity Schedule" is reproduced below.

	Scre	enshot 1		
Projected Inte	erest on Dec-31-	12 Balances	2.1.7 RRR	
Projected interest from Jan 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 on Dec 31 -12 balance adjusted for disposition during 2013 ³	Projected Interest from January 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013 on Dec 31 -12 balance adjusted for disposition during 2013 ⁻³	Total Claim	As of Dec 31-12	Variance RRR vs. 2012 Balance (Principal + Interes
(28,489)		(1,862,112)	3,228,233	3,542,7
124,938		8,804,945	(17,758,098)	(18,478,25
108,847		7,654,113	2,204,804	(5,850,33
86,280		8,070,448	1,485,808	(4,959,66
(50,754)		(3,801,442)	1,122,394	4,240,7
284,701		18,855,285	(728,413)	(21,223,74
0		0		
0				
2,988		285.600	1.068	(282.6)
(9.739)		(850.983)	(2.958.724)	(2,315.4
1-1		(contract)	(4,800,724)	(2,310,4
0		0		
500,769	0	35,355,833	(13,400,930)	(45,317,8
238,068	0	30,300,633	(12,672,517)	(46,317,6 (24,093,8
294,701		18,655,265	(728,413)	(21,223,7
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27,998	(2,918)	1,731,150		(1,708,0
528,785	(2,916)	37,086,993	(13,400,930)	(47,023,8
		0		
528.785	(2916)	37,088,903	(13,400,930)	(47,023,6

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Screenshot 2

		2011		
Account Descriptions	Account Number	Closing Principal Balance as of Dec41-11	Closing Interes Amounts as of Deciti-11	
Group 1 Accounts				
LV Variance Account	1550			
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1500			
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1504			
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1500			
RSVA - Power (excluding Global Adjustment)	1588			
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1509			
Recovery of Regulatory Asset Dalances	1590			
Disposition and Recovery/Retund of Regulatory Dalances (2008) ⁸	1595			
Disposition and Recovery/Retund of Regulatory Dalances (2009) ⁸	1595			
Disposition and Recovery/Retund of Regulatory Dalances (2010) ⁴	1595			
Disposition and Recovery/Retund of Regulatory Dalances (2011) ⁴	1595			
Group 1 Sub-Total (Including Account 1589 - Global Adjustment)		0		
Group 1 Sub-Total (excluding Account 1589 - Global Adjustment)				
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1509	•		
Deferred Payments in Lieu of Taxes	1502			
Total of Group 1 and Account 1982				
Special Purpose Charge Assessment Variance Account ⁴	1521			
LRAM Variance Account [®]	1500			
Total including Accounts 1502 and 1500				

In the worksheet referenced above, the variances in Screenshot 1 between Enersource's 2.1.7 RRR figures and Enersource's total claim amounts appear to be as a result of Enesource not inputting in the closing principal and interest balances as of December 31, 2011 in Screenshot 2.

- a) Board staff requests Enersource to update the attached 2014 Rate Generator Model, specifically worksheet 5, and input Enersource's closing principal and interest balances as of December 31, 2011 for all Group 1 Accounts that it is requesting to dispose.
- b) If applicable, Board staff also requests Enersource to explain in detail the reason for any variances between Enersource's Group 1 Account balances and its 2.1.7 RRR figures.
- c) Board staff requests that for the disposition of Account 1595, Enersource provide reference to and the amounts approved by the Board for disposition for the year ending 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Response:

 a) Worksheet 5 of the 2014 Rate Generator Model has been revised with Enersource's closing principal and interest balances as of December 31, 2011 for all Group 1 Accounts that it is requesting to dispose. This has been provided as a live Excel worksheet to accompany this response.

Enersource apologizes for the presentation of Attachment D, the Board's 2014 Rate Generator Model, originally filed on August 16. For reasons unknown, during the final preparations of the various Excel models for filing

with the Board, certain portions of Worksheet 5 on Attachment D, the Board's Rate Generator Model, were deleted. Specifically, as Board Staff discovered, Columns CQ and CR were missing closing principal and interest balances as of December 31, 2011, and some shifting of balances for Account 1595 occurred in rows 31 to 34. The revised Worksheet 5 provided with this response corrects these errors.

b) The difference between Enersource's 2.1.7 RRR figures and Enersource's total claim amounts as filed in the 2014 Rate Generator Model was due to the errors discussed above. Enersource confirms that the Group 1 Account Balances on the revised Worksheet 5 now match Enersource's section 2.1.7 RRR figures. Again, Enersource apologizes for this confusion and wishes to express its thanks to Board Staff for bringing this to our attention.

Enersource confirms that there was no impact to the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges, nor the proposed Bill Impacts as a result of updating Worksheet 5 in the Rate Generator Model. This technical error only affected Worksheet 5 of Attachment D, the Board's Rate Generator Model, in the original pre-filed evidence.

c) In the revised Worksheet 5 of Attachment D, Enersource notes that a disposition balance for Account 1595 only exists in 2009. The 2009 disposition credit balance of \$2.997 million is the residual balance remaining in Account 1595, which pertains to Enersource's application for the disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts in EB-2009-0405.

Enersource received approval from the Board in EB-2009-0405 on January 29, 2010 for the disposition of the following amounts (\$):

Group 1 Accounts excluding 1588 Global Adjustment (refund)	(\$27,094,947)
Carrying Charge to January 31, 2010 (refund)	<u>(1,913,119)</u>
Net amount to be refunded to customers (refund)	<u>(\$29,008,065)</u>
1588 Global Adjustment (recovery)	\$41,485,837
Carrying Charge to January 31, 2010 (recovery)	<u>301,804</u>
Net amount to be recovered from all non-RPP customers (recovery)	\$41,787,641
Total Net Recovery	<u>\$12,779,576</u>

The effective date of disposition was February 1, 2010 and the refund/recovery period was over two years, from February 1, 2010 to January 31, 2012.

As of February 1, 2012 Enersource had a residual credit/refund balance of \$2.997 million which is comprised of the following (\$ millions):

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Group 1 Accounts excluding 1588 Global Adjustment (refund)	(\$3.327)
1588 Global Adjustment (recovery)	0.330
Net Refund	(\$2.997)

The net under-refund of \$2.997 million is principally driven by the \$3.327 million refund for Group 1 Accounts. This was primarily the result of lower rate riders due to higher projected consumption in the computation of the approved rates.

Interrogatory #1

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Reference 1: EB-2012-0033 Exhibit 2 Tab 2 Schedule 3, Appendix 1, Page 6, Table 1

	Total Number of Projects Connected	Total kW of Projects Connected
MicroFIT (<=10kW)	85	502.87
FIT (>10kW)	12	7350
TOTAL	97	7852.87

Table 1 – MicroFIT & FIT Projects Connected as of End of 2012Q1

Reference 2: EB-2013-0124 Tab 2, Page 10, Table 1

Table 1: Renewable	Connections as of June 30, 2013
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	Total Number of Projects Connected	Total kW of Projects Connected
MicroFIT (<u><</u> 10 kW)	144	868
FIT (>10 kW)	22	4410
Total	166	5278

 a) Please explain why the Total kW of Projects Connected as of the end of 2012Q1 (Reference 1) is greater than the Total kW of Projects Connected as of June 30, 2013 (Reference 2).

Response:

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The table provided in EB-2012-0033 (Reference 1) incorrectly included two projects from the Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP) and one Net Metering Load Displacement Generation project in the figures shown on the "FIT (>10kW)" line. Thus, the "Total kW of Projects Connected" (7,852.87) was overstated (in Reference 1). The table provided as Reference 2 includes only microFIT and FIT projects that have been energized between 2010 and June 30, 2013.

Interrogatory #2

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Reference: EB-2013-0124 Tab 2, Pages 10-11

a) Please provide a table that sets out the number of applications, number of projects connected and total kW of projects connected by year for the years 2010 to 2014.

Response:

The requested information is provided in the table below.

		Actual	Forecast				
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014		
Actual/Forecast Renewable Generation Projects Connected							
microFIT	28	35	57	65	78		
FIT	0	10	6	8	10		
Total	28	45	63	73	88		
Actual/Forecast Total kW of Renewable Generation Projects Connected (kW)							
microFIT	149.22	226.36	346.085	350.766	507		
FIT	0	1725	1185	2600	2250		
Total	149.22	1951.36	1531.085	2950.766	2757		
Actual/Forecast Renewable Generation Project Applications Received							
microFIT		547	221	220	225		
FIT	:	378	239	176	192		
Total		925	460	396	417		

Please note that the forecast number of connections for 2013 for the FIT projects has increased (from 4 to 8) since the original pre-filed evidence. The total for the year is correspondingly higher.

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Furthermore, the number of microFIT projects connected in 2012 has been revised from 58 to 57 based on an adjustment to the connection timing in late 2012. The total for the year is correspondingly lower.

Also, the applications received in 2010 and 2011 have been presented in aggregate due to limitations with internal records and time constraints.

Interrogatory #3

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Reference: EB-2013-0124 Tab 2, Page 11

a) Please explain the increase in forecast renewable generation projects to be connected in 2014 compared to 2013.

Response:

As noted on pages 10 and 11 of Tab 2, Enersource has based its forecast using information available on the OPA's website, specifically the OPA's FIT Application Management Environment (FAME) and microFIT LDC Admin web portals. In addition, the forecast also took into account projects that requested initial capacity checks to be performed by Enersource, which may or may not be registered with the OPA.

On July 16, 2013, Enersource downloaded the list of applications from the OPA's FAME site. At that time, there were 56 projects listed within the City of Mississauga. On August 8, roughly three weeks later, there were an additional 11 projects listed, for a total of 67. All of these projects are expected to proceed in late 2013, or 2014.

Enersource confirms its forecast for renewable projects in 2014. The FAME list, and its rapid growth as demonstrated in the previous paragraph, justifies the increase in the 2014 forecast.

Interrogatory #4

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Reference: EB-2013-0124 Attachment I & Attachment J

- a) Please provide the depreciation expense calculation in 2012 for Attachment I compared to Attachment J.
- b) Please explain the difference in 2012 and 2013 capital (direct benefit) amounts between Attachment I & Attachment J.

Response:

a) The depreciation expense calculation in 2012 for both Attachment I and Attachment J are provided below.

Green Energy Capital - 2012 Depreciation Expense Calculation for Attachment I and
Attachment J

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		Attachment I				
Year capitalized	Capi	talized Cost		Accumulated Depreciation		2012
2010	\$	22,221	\$	(1,532)	\$	(1,532)
2011	\$	88,314	\$	(2,944)	\$	(5,888)
2012	\$	139,145			\$	(4,638)
				TOTAL 2012 Depreciation Expense	\$	(12,058)
				less 2010 depreciation not included in		
				Attachment I submission	\$	1,532
			D	epreciation Expense in Attachment I	\$	(10,526)

		Attachment J				
Year capitalized	Capi	italized Cost		Accumulated Depreciation		2012
2010	\$	22,221	\$	(1,532)	\$	(1,532)
2011	\$	88,314	\$	(2,944)	\$	(5,888)
2012	\$	168,361			\$	(5,612)
				TOTAL 2012 Depreciation Expense	\$	(13,032)

Notes:

1) Half year rule applies in the first year of capitalization

- a) The 2012 depreciation expense difference between Attachments I and J is due to:
 - The calculation in Attachment I was done prior to the end of 2012 and therefore included a forecast of full year 2012 capital additions. The calculation in Attachment J was done in 2013 and therefore included the actual 2012 capital additions. The 2012 actual capital additions were higher than the forecasted amount in Attachment I thereby contributing to a higher depreciation expense in Attachment J; and
 - 2) The depreciation calculation in Attachment I incorrectly omitted the depreciation of the capital additions in 2010 thereby understating the depreciation expense by \$1,532.
- b) The factors explained in (a) above also impacted the direct benefit on capital calculations in Attachments I and J. The true-up to reflect actual 2012 capital additions and the actual CIP balances in Attachment J, as well as the depreciation calculation difference described in (a) above, resulted in the direct benefit on capital being higher by \$271 and \$217 in 2012 and 2013, respectively.

Enersource notes that its proposal in this Application would result in no change to the rate adder charged to customers in its franchise area, and would increase the monthly adder amount paid by the IESO by \$364.