

CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.



October 28, 2013

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

# RE: 2014 ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE APPLICATION FOR CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC., ("CNPI") EB-2013-0117

Please find accompanying this letter two (2) copies of CNPI's responses to the interrogatories submitted to the Board by Board staff.

A PDF version of these responses will, coincidently with this written submission, be filed via the Board's Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

If you have any questions in connection with the above matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (905) 994-3634.

Yours truly,

Original Signed by:

Douglas Bradbury P.Eng, Director Regulatory Affairs

Enclosure

# Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

# Response to Board Staff Interrogatories

# 2014 IRM Distribution Rate Application

# Canadian Niagara Power Inc. ("CNPI")

## EB-2013-0117

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#### RTSR Model

#### Interrogatory #1 Ref: RTSR Model, Tab 4 – "RRR Data"

A. Please confirm that the data entered in columns "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh" and "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW" are not adjusted by Canadian Niagara Power's Board approved loss factor.

Response:

Yes, we confirm that the data entered in columns "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh" and "Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW" are not adjusted by CNPI's Board approved loss factor.

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### <u>RRR Filing</u>

#### Interrogatory #3 Ref: Manager's Summary, Page 15

At the above reference, the consolidated balance in account 1595 is \$16,837.85. The balance reported in the RRR filing as of April 30, 2013 is \$1,715,852.98.

A. Please reconcile the variance and update the application if necessary.

#### Response:

CNPI reported a balance of \$1,715,852.98 in account 1595 as of December 31, 2012 in its RRR filing as of April 30, 2013. There are four basic components contributing to this balance. These are summarized in the table below:

Approved Rate Riders	Balance as at December 31, 2012	
EB-2010-0070 & EB-2010-0071	\$	28,592.35
Rate Rider for Re-calculated Deferral/Variance Account Disposition - effective until April 30, 2013	Ş	28,392.33
EB-2010-0069, EB-2010-0070 & EB-2010-0071		
All other rate riders with the exception specified above were	\$	16,837.85
effective until April 30, 2012		
EB-2011-0157 & EB-2011-0158		
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition -	-\$	60,204.17
effective May 1, 2012 until April 30, 2013		
EB-2012-0112		
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition -	\$1,	730,626.95
effective January 1, 2013 until December 31, 2014		
Total reported in RRR 2.1.7 as at December 31, 2012	\$1,	715,852.98
Amount not subject to disposition in an active Rate Rider	\$	16,837.85

In the matter of EB-2010-0070 and EB-2010-0071, an IRM Application for rates effective May 1, 2011 for CNPI's Fort Erie and Eastern Ontario Power ("EOP") service territories, the Board approved a rate rider specific to the General Service 50

to 4,999 kW customer class in EOP. This rate rider, "Rate Rider for Recalculated Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013" was still actively being disposed as at December 31, 2012. The balance associated with that rate rider was, at that time, \$28,592.35.

All other approved rate riders for deferral/variance account disposition in the matter of EB-2010-0070 and EB-2010-0071 as well as EB-2010-0069, CNPI's service territory in Port Colborne, had a sunset date of April 30, 2012. Following the disposition of these rate riders on April 30, 2012, the balance remaining and reported as at December 31, 2012 was \$16,837.85 and is the balance being requested for disposition in this rate proceeding.

In the matter of EB-2011-0157 and EB-2011-0158, IRM applications for CNPI's service territory of Port Colborne and the service territories of Fort Erie and EOP, the Board approved rate riders for deferral/variance account disposition with an effective date of May 1, 2012 and a sunset date of April 30, 2013. These rate riders, "Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013" and "Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers" were still actively being disposed as at December 31, 2012. The balance associated with those rate riders were, at that time, (\$60,204.17).

In the matter of EB-2012-0112, a cost of service review by CNPI for rates effective January 1, 2013, rate riders for deferral/variance account disposition with an effective date of January 1, 2013 and a sunset date of December 31, 2014. The approved balances for these rate riders, "Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until December 31, 2014", "Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until December 31, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers" and "Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until December 31, 2016" were moved to the 1595 account on December 31, 2012. The balance associated with those rate riders were, at that time, \$1,730,626.95.

The sum total of these four balances is \$1,715,852.98; the amount reported as at December 31, 2012 in its RRR filing as of April 30, 2013. The amount of \$16,837.85 currently being disposed relates only to the approved rate riders for deferral/variance account disposition in the matter of EB-2010-0070, EB-2010-0071 and EB-2010-0069, that had a sunset date of April 30, 2012. All other balances are considered active and are therefore not being requested for disposition as part of this proceeding.