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BY E-MAIL

November 11, 2013

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

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Atikokan Hydro Inc.
2014 IRM Distribution Rate Application
Board Staff Interrogatories
Board File No. EB-2013-0111**

In accordance with the Notice of Application and Hearing, please find attached Board Staff interrogatories in the above proceeding. Please forward the following to Atikokan Hydro Inc. and to all other registered parties to this proceeding.

In addition please advise Atikokan Hydro Inc. that responses to interrogatories are due by November 27, 2013.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Christiane Wong
Information Administrator – Applications & Regulatory Audit

Encl.

**Atikokan Hydro Inc. (“Atikokan Hydro”)
 2014 IRM Rate Application
 EB-2013-0111
 Board Staff Interrogatories**

2014 RTSR Adjustment Work Form

1. Ref: A portion of Sheet 4 “RRR Data” is reproduced below

Rate Class	Unit	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW	Applicable Loss Factor	Load Factor	Loss Adjusted Billed kWh	Billed kW
Residential	kWh	9,425,286		1.0778		10,158,574	-
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	5,139,382		1.0778		5,539,226	-
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	kW	6,395,640	20,164		43.47%	6,395,640	20,164
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW – Interval Metered	kW	629,496	2,171		39.74%	629,496	2,171
Street Lighting	kW	469,537	1,450		44.38%	469,537	1,450

- a) Please confirm that the amounts entered into the columns “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh” and “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW” have not been adjusted by Atikokan Hydro’s Board-approved loss factor.

2. Line Connection

Ref: Manager's summary, page 14 of 48

Ref: RTSR Work Form - A portion of Sheet 6 "Historical Wholesale" is reproduced below

IESO	Network			Line Connection			Transformation Connection			Total Line
Month	Units Billed	Rate	Amount	Units Billed	Rate	Amount	Units Billed	Rate	Amount	Amount
January	3,463	\$3.57	\$ 12,362		\$0.00		3,810	\$1.86	\$ 7,087	\$ 7,087
February	3,769	\$3.57	\$ 13,455		\$0.00		4,294	\$1.86	\$ 7,987	\$ 7,987
March	3,770	\$3.57	\$ 13,459		\$0.00		3,865	\$1.86	\$ 7,189	\$ 7,189
April	3,512	\$3.57	\$ 12,538		\$0.00		3,634	\$1.86	\$ 6,759	\$ 6,759
May	3,246	\$3.57	\$ 11,588		\$0.00		3,594	\$1.86	\$ 6,685	\$ 6,685
June	2,551	\$3.57	\$ 9,107		\$0.00		2,916	\$1.86	\$ 5,424	\$ 5,424
July	3,511	\$3.57	\$ 12,534		\$0.00		4,130	\$1.86	\$ 7,682	\$ 7,682
August	3,263	\$3.57	\$ 11,649		\$0.00		3,829	\$1.86	\$ 7,122	\$ 7,122
September	3,058	\$3.57	\$ 10,916		\$0.00		3,599	\$1.86	\$ 6,695	\$ 6,695
October	2,517	\$3.57	\$ 8,982		\$0.00		3,120	\$1.86	\$ 5,803	\$ 5,803
November	3,208	\$3.57	\$ 11,453		\$0.00		3,664	\$1.86	\$ 6,815	\$ 6,815
December	3,703	\$3.57	\$ 13,220		\$0.00		3,914	\$1.86	\$ 7,280	\$ 7,280
Total	39,570	\$ 3.57	\$ 141,263	-	\$ -	\$ -	44,370	\$ 1.86	\$ 82,528	\$ 82,528

Board staff notes that while Atikokan pays the IESO Network and Transformation Connection Charges, it does not pay Line Connection Charges.

a) Please state why Atikokan does not pay the IESO line connection charges.

2014 Rate Generator Work Form

3. *Ref: A portion of Sheet 4 "Current Tariff Schedule" is reproduced below*

STREET LIGHTING Service Classification		
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component <i>(If applicable, Effective Date MUST be included in rate description)</i>		
Service Charge	\$	11.93

Ref: A portion of Sheet 4 "Current Tariff Schedule" is reproduced below

STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION		
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component		
Service Charge (per connection)	\$	11.93

- a) Board staff notes that the description for "Service Charge" for Street Lighting rate class does not match with Atikokan Hydro's last Board-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges. Board staff notes that the correct description is "Service Charge (per connection)". If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary correction.

Shared Tax Savings Work Form

4. Ref: A portion of Sheet 3 “Re-Based Bill Det & Rates” is reproduced below

Last COS Re-based Year was in 2012							
Rate Group	Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Re-based Billed Customers or Connections A	Re-based Billed kWh B	Re-based Billed kW C	
RES	Residential Regular	Customer	kWh	1,424	11,113,021		
GSLT50	General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	235	6,246,087		
GSGT50	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Customer	kW	15	5,218,563	13,872	
SL	Street Lighting	Connection	kW	635	466,493	1,316	

Ref: 2012 COS Revised Draft Rate Order, dated July 16, 2012 (EB-2011-0293) is reproduced below

Table 4 – Forecast Data for 2012 Test Year

	Initial Application	Adjustments	Close of Record	Adjustments	Decision
Predicted kWh Purchases	25,592,783	0	25,592,783	(589,691)	25,003,092
Billed kWh	23,593,125	0	23,593,125	(548,962)	23,044,163
Residential					
Customers	1,424	0	1,424	0	1,424
kWh	11,395,913	0	11,395,913	(282,893)	11,113,021
GS<50 kW					
Customers	235	0	235	0	235
kWh	6,387,021	0	6,387,021	(140,934)	6,246,087
GS>50 kW					
Customers	15	0	15	0	15
kWh	5,343,698	0	5,343,698	(125,135)	5,218,563
kW	14,205	0	14,205	(333)	13,872
Streetlights					
Connections	623	0	623	0	623
kWh	466,493	0	466,493	0	466,493
kW	1,316	0	1,316	0	1,316
Total					
Customer/Connections	2,297	0	2,297	0	2,297
kWh	23,593,125	0	23,593,125	(548,962)	23,044,163
kW from applicable classes	15,521	0	15,521	(333)	15,188

Board staff notes that the number of connections for the Street Lighting rate class provided in the Shared Tax Savings, column A is 635 as opposed to 623 in the 2012 COS Revised Draft Rate Order¹ (EB-2011-0293).

- a) Please confirm if Atikokan Hydro agrees, and Board Staff will make the necessary correction to the work form.
- b) If the answer to a) is no, please provide an explanation for the data entered.

¹ <http://www.rds.ontarioenergyboard.ca/webdrawer/webdrawer.dll/webdrawer/rec/353695/view/>

5. Ref: A portion of Sheet 3 “Re-Based Bill Det & Rates” is reproduced below

Last COS Re-based Year was in 2012						
Rate Group	Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Rate ReBal Base Service Charge D	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kWh E	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kW F
RES	Residential Regular	Customer	kWh	34.15	0.0135	
GSLT50	General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	74.43	0.0094	
GSGT50	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Customer	kW	550.40		2.1802
SL	Street Lighting	Connection	kW			14.0765

Ref: A portion of Sheet 4 “Current Tariff Schedule” is reproduced below

STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION		
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component		
Service Charge (per connection)	\$	11.93

Board staff notes that Atikokan Hydro has not entered the Street Lighting rate in Sheet 3, Column D, cell M25 of the Shared Tax Savings Work Form. Board staff notes that the rate is “\$11.93”.

a) If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary correction.