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To: All Licensed Electricity Transmitters and Distributors

All Other Interested Stakeholders

Re: Filing Requirements for Transmission Rates

Today the Board released its Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications (the "Filing Requirements"). For the past several years, the Board has issued Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission and Distribution Rate Applications that included Chapter 2 for cost of service rate applications for both transmission and distribution. On July 17, 2013, the Board issued filing requirements specifically for distribution rates and advised transmitters that separate transmission filing requirements would be provided.

On October 18, 2012, the Board released its *Report of the Board, Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity Distributors: A Performance-Based Approach* (the "RRFE Report"). While the RRFE Report related specifically to electricity distributors, the Board did state that "[i]n due course, the Board will provide further guidance regarding how the policies in this Report may be applied to transmitters."

The Board will shortly initiate a consultation process to receive input from stakeholders on how best to apply the principles of the RRFE to transmitters. The Board has issued these Filing Requirements for transmitters to use for rate applications until such time as that consultation has concluded. These filing requirements have not been modified to encompass all of the policy goals reflected in the RRFE. However, applicants can incorporate relevant elements into their applications if they feel that this will support the approvals they are seeking from the Board.

Chapter 1 of the Filing Requirements includes administrative matters related to transmission applications. Chapter 2 outlines the minimum information necessary for a complete cost of service-based transmission rate application. Chapter 4 details the filing

requirements for an electricity Leave to Construct application based on the requirements outlined in section 92 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998. Chapter 4 has not been amended at this time.

Sincerely,

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