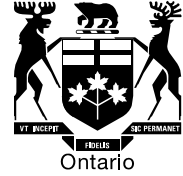


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January 10, 2014

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Essex Powerlines Corporation  
2014 Distribution Rate Application  
Board Staff Interrogatories  
Board File No. EB-2013-0128**

In accordance with Procedural Order #1, please find attached Board Staff's interrogatories in the above noted proceeding. Essex Powerlines Corporation has been copied on this filing.

Essex Powerlines Corporation's responses to interrogatories are due on January 24, 2014.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Daniel Kim  
Analyst, Applications & Regulatory Audit

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**Essex Powerlines Corporation. (“EPLC”)  
2014 IRM Application  
Board Staff Interrogatories  
EB-2013-0128**

**2014 RTSR Model**

1. Ref: A portion of Sheet 3 “Rate Classes” is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Unit	RTSR-Network	RTSR-Connectic
Residential	kWh	\$ 0.0081	\$ 0.0081
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	\$ 0.0071	\$ 0.0077
General Service 50 to 2,999 kW	kW	\$ 2.8991	\$ 3.0778
General Service 50 to 2,999 kW - Time of Use	kW	\$ 3.5713	\$ 3.4127
General Service 3,000 to 4,999 kW	kW	\$ 3.5713	\$ 3.4127
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	\$ 0.0071	\$ 0.0077
Sentinel Lighting	kW	\$ 2.2320	\$ 2.3462
Street Lighting	kW	\$ 2.2008	\$ 2.3312

Board staff is unable to reconcile the General Service 50 to 2,999 kW – Time of Use rate class with EPLC’s Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, issued April 4, 2013. Please confirm that the correct rate class should be General Service 50 to 2,999 kW – Interval Metered. If necessary, Board staff will make the necessary adjustment to the model.

**2014 IRM Tax Sharing Model**

2. Ref: A portion of Sheet 3 “Re-Based Rev From Rates” is reproduced below.

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	Customer	kWh	25,902	271,379,498	
GSLT50	General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	1,852	72,012,960	
GSGT50	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW – Interval Metered	Customer	kW	222	196,386,718	467,092
GSGT50	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Customer	kW	2	25,141,359	18,698
USL	Unmetered Scattered Load	Connection	kWh	151	1,605,371	
Sen	Sentinel Lighting	Connection	kW	168	390,941	1,076
SL	Street Lighting	Connection	kW	2,643	5,929,910	18,024

- a) Board staff is unable to reconcile the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW Interval Metered and the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW rate classes with EPLC’s Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, issued April 4, 2013. Please confirm the correct rate classes and Board staff will make the necessary adjustments to the model.
- b) Board staff is unable to reconcile the amounts in column “A” for the Sentinel Lighting and Street Lighting rate classes with EPLC’s approved customer/connection count in its 2010 cost of service proceeding (EB-2009-0143). Please provide the reference for these amounts. If any changes are required, please confirm the corrected amounts, and Board

staff will make the necessary adjustments to the model.

- c) Board staff is also unable to verify the amounts in columns “B” and “C” with EPLC’s approved load forecast in its 2010 cost of service proceeding (EB-2009-0143). Please provide the reference for these amounts. If any changes are required, please confirm the corrected amounts and Board staff will make the necessary adjustments to the model.

**2014 IRM Rate Generator**

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

<b>STREET LIGHTING Service Classification</b>		
This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template. Further servicing details are available in the distributor’s Conditions of Service.		
<b>APPLICATION</b>		
The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.		
No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor’s Licence or a Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.		
Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Components of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an		
It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.		
<b>MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component</b> <i>(If applicable. Effective Date MUST be included in rate de</i>		
Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.13
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	8.4872
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2798
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) - effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RFP Customers	\$/kW	(0.0940)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2010) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.1344)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0824)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2008
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3312

Board staff notes that according to EPLC’s Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, issued April 4, 2013, the Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2014 for the Street Lighting rate class should be \$/kWh and not \$/kW. Please confirm this is correct and Board staff will make the necessary adjustment to the model.

4. Ref: A portion of Sheet 5 “2014 Continuity Schedule” is reproduced below.

Account Descriptions	2013		Projected Interest on Dec-31-12 Balances		2.1.7 RRR	Variance RRR vs. 2012 Balance (Principal + Interest)
	Closing Principal Balances as of Dec 31-12 Adjusted for Dispositions during 2013	Closing Interest Balances as of Dec 31-12 Adjusted for Dispositions during 2013	Projected Interest from Jan 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 on Dec 31-12 balance adjusted for disposition during 2013 <sup>2</sup>	Projected Interest from January 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013 on Dec 31-12 balance adjusted for disposition during 2013 <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Group 1 Accounts</b>						
L.V Variance Account	1550	708,191	10,410	2,567	727,886	714,909
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(3,573,954)	(81,509)	(12,954)	(3,720,954)	(3,655,463)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	347,134	25,321	5,103	378,816	372,455
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(1,267,076)	(22,282)	(18,628)	(1,312,977)	(1,289,358)
RSVA - Power (excluding Global Adjustment)	1588	9,554,463	(125,949)	140,451	9,603,667	902,177
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	(8,731,842)	105,435	(128,358)	(8,786,415)	0
Recovery of Regulatory Asset Balances	1590	(1,684,689)	232,195	(24,765)	(1,483,365)	(1,452,494)
Disposition and Recovery/Refund of Regulatory Balances (2008) <sup>1</sup>	1595	0	0	0	0	0
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<b>Group 1 Sub-Total (including Account 1589 - Global Adjustment)</b>		(4,647,743)	139,969	(68,322)	(4,592,942)	(4,507,774)
<b>Group 1 Sub-Total (excluding Account 1589 - Global Adjustment)</b>		4,084,099	34,534	60,036	4,193,473	(4,507,774)
<b>RSVA - Global Adjustment</b>	<b>1589</b>	<b>(8,731,842)</b>	<b>105,435</b>	<b>(128,358)</b>	<b>(8,786,415)</b>	<b>0</b>

Board staff notes that the total claim amount of \$9,603,667 for Account 1588 RSVA Power does not reconcile with the amount of \$802,177 filed as part of EPLC’s *Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements* (“RRR”). Board staff also notes that the total claim amount of \$8,786,415 for Account 1589 RSVA Global Adjustment does not reconcile with the RRR amount. Please explain these discrepancies and provide a reconciliation of the two accounts with the amounts filed as part of EPLC’s RRR amounts.