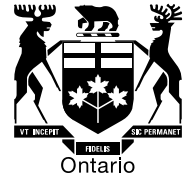


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Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Waterloo North Hydro Inc. ("Waterloo North Hydro")
2014 IRM Distribution Rate Application
Board Staff Submission
Board File No. EB-2013-0176**

In accordance with Procedural Order No.1, written submissions by Board staff must be filed with the Board, and copied to all other parties, by January 31, 2014. Board staff has reviewed Waterloo North Hydro's 2014 IRM application and its responses to interrogatories and has no concerns with the application.

Board staff notes that the Group 1 principal balances to be disposed as of December 31, 2012 reconcile with the amounts reported by Waterloo North Hydro as part of the *Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements* ("RRR") and that Waterloo North Hydro's proposed one-year disposition period is consistent with the guidelines outlined in the *Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative*. Therefore, Board staff has no issues with this request.

Waterloo North Hydro is reminded that its Reply Submission, if it intends to file one, is due by February 14, 2014.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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