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**To: All Parties in EB-2013-0234
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited**

Re: Experts Conference

Pursuant to Procedural Order No. 4, an Experts' Conference will be convened on April 23 and 24. This event will have a facilitator.

The purpose of the Experts' conference is for the experts to meet and discuss the areas where they agree, and the areas where they disagree. The purpose is not to for one expert to attempt to persuade another of the merits of their views; instead, the intention is to delineate the areas over which there is broad agreement, and the areas where there is not. If the experts can agree on the key areas that the Board panel needs to decide, this would also be helpful. This will assist the Board in focusing its attention on the most important areas of dispute.

The experts will be expected to produce a joint written statement setting out the results of their discussions, which must be filed with the Board by May 2. The written statement need not be lengthy, and should focus on assisting the Board panel in identifying the material points of agreement and the material points of dispute between the parties. As experts have been retained in two separate areas (technical issues and competition issues), there will be two separate statements. The written statements will form part of the public record in this proceeding.

The purpose of the Experts' Conference and joint written statement is to allow for discussion amongst the experts themselves, with the assistance of the facilitator. In addition to the experts, each party that retained an expert may send one additional representative to observe. Board staff may also attend. These observers are asked to leave the discussions largely to the experts.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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Board Secretary