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BY E-MAIL

October 2, 2014

Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary** Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: **Brantford Power Inc.** 

2015 IRM Distribution Rate Application

**Board Staff Interrogatories Board File No. EB-2014-0187** 

In accordance with Procedural Order #1, please find attached Board Staff interrogatories in the above proceeding. The applicant and the intervenor have been copied on this fling.

Brantford Power Inc. responses to interrogatories are due by October 16, 2014.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kelli Benincasa **Electricity Rates and Accounting** 

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# Brantford Power Inc. EB-2014-0187 Board Staff Interrogatories

## Interrogatory #1

Ref: Rate Generator - Tab 14 RTSR RRR Data

Rate Description	Unit	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW	Applicable Loss Factor
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	282,501,947	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	282,501,947	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	99,838,335	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	99,838,335	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	534,621,114	1,408,738	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	534,621,114	1,408,738	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1,552,345	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	1,552,345	-	1.0420
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	448,778	1,369	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	448,778	1,369	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	7,386,717	22,581	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	7,386,717	22,581	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	-	159,286	-
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	-	159,286	-

A. Please confirm the Applicable Loss Factor in column F has been entered incorrectly and should be 1.0349 as copied below from the current tariff sheet and Board staff will correct the model. If the Applicable Loss Factor is 1.0420 please explain.

#### LOSS FACTORS

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW 1.0349 1.0246

#### **Interrogatory #2**

### Ref: Managers Summary - Page 21 - RSVA One-Time Variance Account

- A. In the first paragraph the amount of \$284,402 is stated as a debit amount and in the second paragraph it is stated as a credit amount, please confirm which is correct.
- B. In the above reference, Brantford Power states Board staff requested in the 2013 COS proceeding they calculate the rate riders that would result if the one-time amount of \$284,402 was reduced from the balance of the account. Board staff notes that the settlement agreement in BP's last cost of service proceeding (EB-2012-0109) notes on page 45 that all parties agreed to certain changes to the DVAs and that Attachment N to the settlement agreement was agreed to by all parties. Board staff notes that Attachment N does not include account 1582. Please explain further why BP is of the view that this account should have been disposed as part of the last COS proceeding.

### Interrogatory #3

#### Ref: Managers Summary – Attachment D – Proposed Tariff and Rates

- A. Please provide an excel version of the proposed tariff and rates.
- B. Please confirm the Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs –effective until date should be December 31, 2017 not April 30, 2017. If confirmed, Board staff will update the model.
- C. Please confirm the Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge effective until date should be October 31, 2018 not December 31, 2017. If confirmed, Board staff will update the model.
- D. Please confirm the Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) effective until December 31, 2015 should be (0.7414) not (0.7413). If confirmed, Board staff will update the model.
- E. Please confirm the Embedded Rate Class is missing the Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) for Wholesale Market Participants of 0.0683. If confirmed, Board staff will update the model.
- F. Please confirm Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct should be \$ 30.00 not % 30.0000. If confirmed, Board staff will update the model.

#### Interrogatory #4

Ref: Managers Summary – Page 17 – Section 2.6 – LRAM Persistence

Ref: Attachment G – 2013 Burman Energy LRAMVA Report

#### **Preamble**

On Page 17 of the Manager's Summary, Brantford notes that it is applying for the disposition of an LRAM claim associated with the persistence of 2006 to 2010 programs in 2012 and that Burman Energy has calculated this amount to be \$116,047.82.

On page 3 of the Burman LRAM report in Attachment G, it states that the requested persisting 2006-2010 lost revenue amount of \$118,455.70 represents LRAM calculations for persistence of 2006-2010 programs in 2011 only. The Burman Report later notes that persisting lost revenues in 2012 are equal to \$116,047.82.

In addition to the persisting 2012 LRAM amounts, Burman also notes that Brantford should be eligible for the persisting 2013 LRAM amounts but had recommended including this amount in a future application as it is premature to include these results at this time.

- A. Please confirm that Brantford has received approval of its persisting lost revenues from 2006-2010 CDM programs in 2011 and recovered \$118,455.70 as part of its 2013 rate application (EB-2012-0109).
- B. Please confirm that in this application, Brantford is only requesting approval of persisting lost revenues in 2012 from 2006 to 2010 CDM Programs for the total amount of \$116,047.82.
- C. Please confirm that Brantford has received approval of an updated load forecast, inclusive of CDM amounts, as part of its 2013 cost of service application.
- D. If Brantford confirms the question posed in 7(c) above, please discuss why Brantford feels it is appropriate to recover persisting lost revenues from 2006 to 2010 CDM programs in 2013 when its load forecast was approved as part of its 2013 cost of service application.
- E. Please discuss why Brantford feels it is premature to recover the persisting 2013 lost revenues from 2006 to 2010 programs in this application when the 2013 program year is fully complete.
- F. If available, please provide Brantford's 2013 persisting lost revenue amount from 2006 to 2010 CDM programs.