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Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge St., 27<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 2319 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: 2016 Cost of Service Distribution Rate Application

Orillia Power Distribution Corporation ("Orillia Power") is on the list of distributors whose rates will be scheduled for rebasing for the 2016 rate year. Orillia Power has previously stated its intention to align rates with its fiscal year end and to apply for rates effective January 1, 2016.

Orillia Power is requesting to defer its Cost of Service rate application and submit in August 2015 for rates effective May 1, 2016. Orillia Power will be requesting a move to January 1 rates in this application to be implemented thereafter, in an IR year. This request is based on a need for more time to satisfy Chapter 2 Filing Requirements, Section 2.4.3 – customer engagement to better align distributor operational plans and customer needs and expectations.

Respectfully,

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