Burlington Hydro Inc.

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Reply Submissions

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On September 29, 2014 Burlington Hydro Inc. ("BHI") applied to the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB") for authorization to charge changed distribution rates, changed Retail Transmission Service Rates and rate riders that will dispose of balances recorded in certain Deferral/Variance Accounts ("D/VA") all effective May 1, 2015. BHI published the OEB's Notice to Customers on November 13, 2014. No one sought intervenor status. BHI filed its responses to interrogatories on January 12, 2015. Board staff filed their Submissions with the Board on January 26, 2015. Staff made submissions on:

- BHI's proposed disposition through rates of a correction to the Carrying Charges for Group 1
 D/VA balances; and
- BHI's proposal to dispose of Group 1 D/VA amounts that are less than the Board's threshold.

Board staff took issue with BHI's proposed corrections to the balances previously approved by the Board and asserted that "rate payers are entitled to the certainty and finality of knowing that these balances have been dealt with on a final basis and will not be revisited". Staff's submission also reviewed past Board Decisions concerning corrections to accounting data. Board staff did not object to BHI's proposal to dispose of its Group 1 D/VA balances as at December 31, 2013, plus the associated Carrying Charges, through rates.

BHI's Reply Submissions

BHI reviewed staff's Submissions with care and note that the balances referred to on page 5 should read as follows:

- Account 1588: \$(2,560,238);
- Account 1589: \$ 1,927,236.

BHI submits that, in all other respects, staff's submissions are factually correct and balanced.

BHI submits that it always provides the best available accounting data to the Board, including out-ofperiod corrections. Otherwise, BHI makes no Reply Submissions.

All of which is respectfully submitted