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All Parties to EB-2014-0116 To:

> Pam Dinsmore - Vice President - Regulatory - Rogers Communications Charlene Schneider – Director, Access & Carrier Agreements Telecom Policy & Regulatory Affairs - TELUS

Re: **Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited Application for Rates - OEB File Number EB-2014-0116**

The oral hearing of this application will commence on Tuesday February 17, 2015 at 9:30am in the OEB's Hearing Room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor. The Panel intends to deal with the following three matters at the outset of the hearing:

1. The requests by Rogers Communications (Rogers) and TELUS in letters of February 9, 2015 and February 12, 2015 respectively that the OEB strike out Toronto Hydro's request in the application for an increase in its wireline pole attachment rate, as well as all of its supporting evidence, and refuse to hear this matter in the course of the proceeding or, in the alternative, that the OEB deny Toronto Hydro's request in the application for an increase in its wireline pole attachment rate.

Rogers and Telus are not intervenors in this proceeding. While they are not required to, they may choose to attend Tuesday's hearing. Toronto Hydro should be prepared to answer questions the Panel will pose in relation to the letters provided by Rogers and Telus.

2. Issues List Decision and Procedural Order No. 3 issued on December 2, 2014 stated that any settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference was to be filed with the OEB by February 11, 2015 and, in the event that any issues remained unsettled, the parties were to propose which issues would be heard orally (primary issues) and which issues would be addressed in writing (secondary issues). The OEB has received no correspondence from parties to date on these matters and will expect parties to confirm at the beginning of the hearing that there has been no settlement and clarify whether or not any issues can be dealt with in writing.

3. The Hearing Plan which was submitted to the OEB on February 11, 2015 provides estimates of examination-in-chief/cross examination times of almost 12 days. The OEB reminds parties that the hearing is scheduled to last for only 8 days. In preparation for discussion of this matter, the OEB asks all parties to reconsider their estimates and advise Board staff prior to the beginning of the hearing as to whether any reductions in their estimated times can be made.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary