# EXHIBIT 6 - REVENUE DEFICIENCY/SUFFICIENCY EB-2014-0080

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#### Calculation of Revenue Requirement

#### 2 Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.1 - Determination of Net Utility Income

- 3 The current rates are based on Board approved rates effective May 1, 2013 through an IRM
- 4 proceeding (EB-2013-0135). Existing revenues based on existing Board approved rates, which
- are used in calculating utility income, are comprised of distribution revenue and exclude pass-
- 6 thru charges such as LV Charges and Transmission Charges.
- 7 Details on existing and projected distribution revenue at existing rates are presented in Exhibit
- 8 3, Tab 1 and replicated below. Other revenues are presented in Ex.3/Tab 4 shows distribution
- 9 revenues at 2014 Actual and Test Year volumes. Table 6.1 below shows distribution revenues
- at proposed 2015 volumes.

#### Table 6.1 - Distribution Revenues at Current Rates - 2015 Volumes

2015 Test Year

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|                                 | Test Year Projected Revenue from Existing Variable Charges |     |                     |                              |                                 |                                 |                                 |                            |
|---------------------------------|--|-----|---------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Customer Class Name             | Variable<br>Distribution<br>Rate                           | per | Test Year<br>Volume | Gross<br>Variable<br>Revenue | Transform.<br>Allowance<br>Rate | Transform.<br>Allowance<br>kW's | Transform.<br>Allowance<br>\$'s | Net<br>Variable<br>Revenue |
| Residential                     | \$0.0160   | kWh | 24,347,981          | 389,568                      | (\$0.45)                        |                                 | 0                               | 389,568                    |
| General Service < 50 kW         | \$0.0067   | kWh | 11,155,291          | 74,740                       | (\$0.45)                        |                                 | 0                               | 74,740                     |
| General Service > 50 to 1499 kW | \$2.3213   | kW  | 64,865              | 150,572                      | (\$0.45)                        | 17,580                          | -7,911                          | 142,661                    |
| Intermediate                    | \$1.0215   | kW  | 60,980              | 62,291                       | (\$0.45)                        | 61,760                          | -27,792                         | 34,499                     |
| Sentinel Lighting               | \$3.1198   | kW  | 70                  | 217                          | (\$0.45)                        |                                 | 0                               | 217                        |
| Street Lighting                 | \$2.2937   | kW  | 4,565               | 10,471                       | (\$0.45)                        |                                 | 0                               | 10,471                     |
| Total Variable Revenue          |  |     | 35.633.752          | 687.859                      |                                 | 79.340                          | -35.703                         | 652.156                    |

#### 2015 Test Year

|                                 | Test Year Projected Revenue from Existing Fixed Charges |                            |                            |                     |           |                    |                       |                    |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Customer Class Name             | Fixed<br>Rate   | Customers<br>(Connections) | Fixed<br>Charge<br>Revenue | Variable<br>Revenue | TOTAL     | % Fixed<br>Revenue | % Variable<br>Revenue | % Total<br>Revenue |
| Residential                     | \$9.1900  | 2,272                      | 250,508                    | 389,568             | 640,076   | 39.14%             | 60.86%                | 56.35%             |
| General Service < 50 kW         | \$19.7600   | 464                        | 110,093                    | 74,740              | 184,833   | 59.56%             | 40.44%                | 16.27%             |
| General Service > 50 to 1499 kW | \$54.8200   | 41                         | 26,971                     | 142,661             | 169,632   | 15.90%             | 84.10%                | 14.93%             |
| Intermediate                    | \$223.0100  | 2                          | 5,352                      | 34,499              | 39,851    | 13.43%             | 86.57%                | 3.51%              |
| Sentinel Lighting               | \$7.0900  | 15                         | 1,276                      | 217                 | 1,493     | 85.48%             | 14.52%                | 0.13%              |
| Street Lighting                 | \$7.8800  | 947                        | 89,570                     | 10,471              | 100,041   | 89.53%             | 10.47%                | 8.81%              |
| Total Fixed Revenue             |   | 3.741                      | 483,771                    | 652.156             | 1.135.927 |                    |                       |                    |

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#### Variance Analysis

|                                 | 2014 Actual to 2015 Variance |              |          |             |  |  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|--|--|
| Customer Class Name             | 2014                         | 2015         | Variance | %<br>change |  |  |
| Residential                     | \$655,194.18                 | \$640,076.12 | -15,118  | -2.31%      |  |  |
| General Service < 50 kW         | \$182,688.56                 | \$184,833.40 | 2,145    | 1.17%       |  |  |
| General Service > 50 to 1499 kW | \$175,087.90                 | \$169,632.29 | -5,456   | -3.12%      |  |  |
| Intermediate                    | \$41,574.69                  | \$39,851.34  | -1,723   | -4.15%      |  |  |
| Sentinel Lighting               | \$1,670.99                   | \$1,493.03   | -178     | -10.65%     |  |  |
| Street Lighting                 | \$115,066.84                 | \$100,040.58 | -15,026  | -13.06%     |  |  |
| Total Fixed Revenue             | 1,171,283                    | 1,135,927    | -35,356  | -3.02%      |  |  |

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- Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.2 at the next section provide details and derivation of the revenue requirement 1
- and its particulars. 2

#### 1 Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.2 - Proposed Revenue Requirement

- 2 HPDC's revenue requirement represents the amount of money that a utility must receive from
- its customers to cover its costs, operating expenses, taxes, interest paid on debts owed to
- 4 investors and, if applicable, a deemed return (profit).
- 5 The proposed Base Revenue Requirement, representing the revenue to be recovered from
- 6 base distribution rates, is equal to the total Service Revenue Requirement, less Revenue
- 7 Offsets derived from other revenue sources in 2014. Table 6.2 below presents HDPCL's
- 8 proposed 2015 Revenue Requirement

**Table 6.2 - Test Year Revenue Requirement** 

| Particular                  | IFRS        |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
|                             | Test Year   |
| OM&A Expenses               | \$1,058,023 |
| Amortization Expense        | \$135,719   |
|                             |             |
| Total Distribution Expenses | \$1,193,742 |
| _                           |             |
| Regulated Return On Capital | \$183,065   |
|                             |             |
| Grossed up PILs             | \$3,753     |
| Service Revenue             |             |
| Requirement                 | \$1,380,561 |
|                             |             |
| Less: Revenue Offsets       | -\$229,503  |
|                             |             |
| Base Revenue Requirement    | \$1,151,058 |

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#### Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.3 - Statement of Rate Base

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#### Table 6.3 - Statement of Rate Base

| Particulars      | Capitaliz | ation Ratio | Cost Rate | Return    |
|------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
|                  | (%)       | (\$)        | (%)       | (\$)      |
| Debt             |           |             |           |           |
| Long-term Debt   | 56.00%    | \$1,582,632 | 4.77%     | \$75,492  |
| Short-term Debt  | 4.00%     | \$113,045   | 2.16%     | \$2,442   |
| Total Debt       | 60.00%    | \$1,695,678 | 4.60%     | \$77,933  |
| Equity           |           |             |           |           |
| Common Equity    | 40.00%    | \$1,130,452 | 9.30%     | \$105,132 |
| Preferred Shares | 0.00%     | \$ -        | 0.00%     | \$-       |
| Total Equity     | 40.00%    | \$1,130,452 | 9.30%     | \$105,132 |
|                  |           |             |           |           |
| Total            | 100.00%   | \$2,826,129 | 6.48%     | \$183,065 |

#### 4 Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.4 - Actual Utility Return on Rate Base;

#### Table 6.4 - Return on Rate Base

| Return                  |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Deemed Interest Expense | \$77,933  |
| Return on Deemed Equity | \$105,132 |
| Total                   | \$183,065 |

#### 7 Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.5 - Requested and Indicated Rate of Return;

- 8 The requested rate of return is **6.48%** as per the OEB prescribed Cost of Capital Parameters.
- 9 The Indicated Rate of Return is calculated as **6.48%**. Details of the calculation can be found at
- 10 Tab 2 of this exhibit in Table 6.7 Calculation of Revenue Deficiency or Surplus.

#### Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.6 - Utility Income at Proposed Revenue Requirement

#### Table 6.5 - Utility Income under proposed Revenue Requirement

| Operating Revenues:                      |             |
|--|-------------|
| Distribution Revenue (at Proposed Rates) | \$1,151,058 |
| Other Revenue                            | \$229,503   |
|  |             |
| Total Operating Revenues                 | \$1,380,561 |
| Operating Expenses:                      |             |
| OM+A Expenses                            | \$1,058,023 |
| Depreciation/Amortization                | \$135,719   |
| Property taxes                           | \$ -        |
| Capital taxes                            | \$ -        |
| Other expense                            | \$ -        |
|  |             |
| Subtotal (lines 4 to 8)                  | \$1,193,742 |
| Deemed Interest Expense                  | \$77,933    |
| Total Expenses (lines 9 to               | \$1,271,676 |
| 10)                                      | Ψ1,271,070  |
|  |             |
| Utility income before income taxes       | \$108,885   |
| moome taxes                              | ψ100,000    |
| Income taxes (grossed-up)                | \$3,753     |
|  |             |
| Utility net income                       | \$105,132   |

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#### 1 Ex.6/Tab 1/Sch.7 - Revenue Requirement Trend

- 2 Table 6.6 below presents HDPCL's Revenue Requirement trend starting from the 2010 Board
- 3 Approved all the way to the 2015 proposed Revenue Requirement.

#### Table 6.6 – Trend in Revenue Requirement

| Particular                  | 2010BA      | 2010        | 2011        | 2012        | 2013        | 2014        | 2015        |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| OM&A Expenses               | \$923,677   | \$819,557   | \$866,798   | \$821,055   | \$849,223   | \$971,015   | \$1,058,023 |
| Amortization Expense        | \$108,336   | \$99,904    | \$95,574    | \$112,512   | \$78,078    | \$84,332    | \$135,719   |
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Total Distribution Expenses | \$1,032,013 | \$919,460   | \$962,372   | \$933,567   | \$927,301   | \$1,055,346 | \$1,193,742 |
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Regulated Return On Capital | \$145,674   | \$136,433   | \$140,940   | \$150,915   | \$167,496   | \$164,311   | \$183,065   |
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Grossed up PILs *           | \$11,106    | \$12,953    | \$12,953    | \$12,953    | \$12,953    | \$0         | \$3,753     |
| Service Revenue Requirement | \$1,188,793 | \$1,068,846 | \$1,116,264 | \$1,097,434 | \$1,107,750 | \$1,219,657 | \$1,380,561 |
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Less: Revenue Offsets       | -\$68,907   | -\$193,636  | -\$171,809  | -\$214,890  | -\$212,002  | -\$258,466  | -\$229,503  |
|                             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Base Revenue Requirement    | \$1,119,886 | \$875,210   | \$944,455   | \$882,544   | \$895,748   | \$961,192   | \$1,151,058 |

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- 6 As can be seen from the table above, the proposed revenue requirement for the test year is only
- 7 marginally higher than the 2010 Cost of Service approved Revenue Requirement. The lower
- 8 revenue requirement between 2010 and 2013 is mostly due to underspending on the capital
- 9 assets, all of which is explained in detail in the distribution system plan in Exhibit 2. Year over
- year variances in OM&A are explained throughout Exhibit 4 and Revenue Offsets and explained
- in detail at Exhibit 3.
- Note that since the utility does not calculate PILs on yearly basis, the utility used the Historical,
- 2014 Actual and Test year results from the PILs model submitted in conjunction with this
- 14 application.

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### Deficiency or Surplus

#### 2 Ex.6/Tab 2/Sch.1 - Calculation of Revenue Deficiency or Surplus

- 3 HPDC's net revenue deficiency under the proposed rates is \$-36,923. This deficiency is
- 4 calculated as the difference between the 2015 Test Year Revenue Requirement and the
- 5 Forecast 2014 Test Year Revenue Requirement at the Applicant's 2013 approved distribution
- 6 rates.

- 7 The Revenue Deficiency sheet presented at the next page is an excerpt from the Revenue
- 8 Requirement Work Form. The drivers of the revenue deficiency are detailed in the section
- 9 following the table.

#### Table 6.7 - Revenue Deficiency (RRWF)

| Particulars   | At Current<br>Approved Rates           | At Proposed Rates                      |
|---|--|--|
| Revenue Deficiency from Below<br>Distribution Revenue<br>Other Operating Revenue Offsets -<br>net | \$1,128,337<br>\$229,503               | \$36,923<br>\$1,114,135<br>\$229,503   |
| Total Revenue   | \$1,357,839                            | \$1,380,561                            |
| Operating Expenses Deemed Interest Expense Total Cost and Expenses                                | \$1,193,742<br>\$77,933<br>\$1,271,676 | \$1,193,742<br>\$77,933<br>\$1,271,676 |
| Utility Income Before Income Taxes  | \$86,163                               | \$108,885                              |
| Tax Adjustments to Accounting Income per 2013 PILs model  | (\$7,251)                              | (\$7,251)                              |
| Taxable Income  | \$78,912                               | \$101,634                              |
| Income Tax Rate   | 15.50%<br>\$12,231                     | 15.50%<br>\$15,753                     |
| Income Tax on Taxable Income Income Tax Credits   | \$ -                                   | \$13,733                               |
| Utility Net Income  | \$73,932                               | \$105,132                              |
| Utility Rate Base   | \$2,826,129                            | \$2,826,129                            |
| Deemed Equity Portion of Rate Base  | \$1,130,452                            | \$1,130,452                            |
| Income/(Equity Portion of Rate Base)  | 6.54%                                  | 9.30%                                  |
| Target Return - Equity on Rate Base   | 9.30%                                  | 9.30%                                  |
| Deficiency/Sufficiency in Return on Equity  | -2.76%                                 | 0.00%                                  |
| Indicated Rate of Return<br>Requested Rate of Return on Rate<br>Base                              | 5.37%<br>6.48%                         | 6.48%<br>6.48%                         |
| Deficiency/Sufficiency in Rate of Return  | -1.10%                                 | 0.00%                                  |
| Target Return on Equity Revenue Deficiency/(Sufficiency) Gross Revenue Deficiency/(Sufficiency)   | \$105,132<br>\$31,200<br>\$36,923      | \$105,132<br>(\$0)                     |

#### Ex.6/Tab 2/Sch.2 - Causes of Revenue Deficiency or Surplus

- 2 HPDC's existing rates are based on the Board-approved rates in 2010 following a cost of
- 3 service rate application, and adjustments to its base distribution rates in 2011-2014 under the
- 4 Board's third Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism.
- 5 As shown in Table of Revenue Deficit at the previous section, the Revenue Deficiency is
- 6 determined to be \$-36,923. The deficiency is due to the increase in the rate base and OM&A.
- 7 The proposed rate base for 2015 is \$833K higher than the 2010 Board-approved amount, an
- 8 increase of 42%. Based on a 6.48% overall cost of capital, the increase in the rate base drives
- an increase to the revenue requirement. The factors contributing to the change in the rate base
- are discussed in detail at Exhibit 2 but for the most part, are due to investments in the
- distribution system to follow the distribution system plan and the inclusion to smart meters into
- 12 rate base.

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- 13 The increased expense for Operations, Maintenance and Administration (OM&A) is another
- reason for the revenue deficiency. Projected OM&A for 2015 is \$134K higher than the 2010
- Board-approved amount, which represents an increase of 14%. The cost drivers underlying this
- increase are explained in Exhibit 4.
- 17 The major contributors of the deficiency are and a table comparing the specifics from 2010
- Board Approved to 2015 Test Year is presented following the contributor below.
- Increase in OM&A of \$134K from \$923K in 2010 Board Approved to \$1,058K in 20
   2015.
  - An increase in Average Net Fixed Assets of \$601K from \$819K in 2010 Board Approved to \$1,420K in 2015.
  - An increase in Working Capital of \$209 from \$1,173K in 2010 Board approved to \$1,382K in 2015.
    - A decrease in the Weighted Average Cost of Capital from 7.31% of 2010 Board approved to 6.48% in 2015.
    - An increase in Depreciation Expenses of \$28K from \$108 of 2010 Board approved to \$136K in 2015.
  - A decrease in deemed PILs expense of \$10K from 11K in the 2010 Board Approved value to \$3,601 in 2015.

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#### 2015 2010 Board Proposed Particulars (taken from RRWF-8.Rev Def Suff) Difference approved Rates Revenue Deficiency from Below \$358,673 \$36,923 -\$321,750 Distribution Revenue \$754,171 \$1,114,135 \$359,964 Other Operating Revenue Offsets - net \$68,907 \$229,503 \$160,596 Total Revenue \$1,181,751 \$1,380,561 \$198,810 \$0 Operating Expenses \$1,032,013 \$1,193,742 \$161,729 Deemed Interest Expense \$67,158 \$77,933 \$10,775 Total Cost and Expenses \$1,099,171 \$1,271,676 \$172,505 Utility Income Before Income Taxes \$26,305 \$82,580 \$108,885 Tax Adjustments to Accounting -\$20,214 -\$7,251 \$12,963 Taxable Income \$62,366 \$101,634 \$39,268 Income Tax Rate 16.00% 15.50% -\$0 \$5,774 Income Tax on Taxable Income \$9,979 \$15,753 Income Tax Credits -\$7,041 \$ -\$0 Utility Net Income \$71,474 \$105,132 \$33,658 Utility Rate Base \$1,992,810 \$2,826,129 \$833,319 Deemed Equity Portion of Rate Base \$797,124 \$1,130,452 \$333,328 Income/(Equity Portion of Rate Base) 8.97% 9.30% \$0 Target Return - Equity on Rate Base 9.85% 9.30% -\$0 Deficiency/Sufficiency in Return on Equity -0.88% 0.00% \$0 \$0 Indicated Rate of Return 6.96% 6.48% -\$0 Requested Rate of Return on Rate Base 7.31% 6.48% -\$0 Deficiency/Sufficiency in Rate of Return -0.35% 0.00% \$0 Target Return on Equity \$78,517 \$105,132 \$26,615

#### Ex.6/Tab 2/Sch.3 - Impact of implementation of IFRS on Revenue Deficiency or

- 2 Surplus
- 3 The adoption of newly prescribed accounting policies has had a marginal impact on the
- 4 allocation of the revenue requirement and determination of the rate base. The extension of the
- 5 typical useful lives of HPDC's assets has caused the depreciation expense to decrease
- 6 resulting in an increase in the value of the net fixed assets of the utility and ultimately an
- 7 increase to the utility's rate base.
- 8 HPDC's OM&A has not been impacted by the policy which states that burdens which are longer
- 9 eligible for capitalization have been removed from rate base and included as an operating
- expense since the utility has never capitalized administrative burdens on capital projects.
- The decrease in depreciation and increase in operational costs have also had an impact on the
- 12 PILs expense, reducing the amount by 80%.