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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2014-0101: Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. (OPUCN) 2015-2019 Rates.

April 2nd Presentation of the Application.

Procedural Order No. 1 herein makes provision for a transcribed appearance on April 2nd to present to the Hearing Panel and the parties an overview of OPUCN's application and address clarification questions. This afternoon Board Staff sent an e-mail to the parties indicating that the Hearing Panel has determined that the April 2nd presentation would proceed without a transcript. On behalf of OPUCN we write to request that the Hearing Panel reconsider that direction.

The Procedural Order notes that OPUCN requested upon filing of its application that the Board provide for such a presentation, to allow OPUCN to provide an overview of the application before interrogatories are filed. In our transmittal letter dated January 29, 2015, we suggested that such a presentation could be transcribed, and expressed the view that such an early opportunity to provide the parties with an overview on the application *"will render the balance of the application review process, including the formal interrogatory process, more efficient"*.

OPUCN respectfully submits that transcribing its presentation, and its responses to questions of clarification, could preclude some interrogatories for basic clarification provided that the presentation, including responses to questions, is transcribed. Absent such transcription parties will have to ask the same questions again, and OPUCN will have to respond to them again, in writing. Conversely, it is submitted that providing for transcription of the April 2nd presentation and follow-up questions and answers could provide a record of some of these basic questions that would preclude subsequent repetitive interrogatories, and that apart from minimal (in the context of the entire proceeding) cost OPUCN sees no drawback to transcribing the presentation.



We would appreciate it if you could bring this request to the Hearing Panel's attention on an expedited basis, in light of the upcoming scheduled appearance.

Yours truly,

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