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BY E-MAIL

May 08, 2015

Wilf Thorburn Atikokan Hydro Inc. 117 Gorrie St. Atikokan ON P0T 1C0

Dear Mr. Thorburn:

## Re: **Applications for 2016 Electricity Rates**

The OEB is in receipt of your letter requesting that Atikokan Hydro Inc. be permitted to defer the rebasing of its rates beyond the 2016 rate year.

The OEB has considered the rationale for deferral set out in your letter, as well as the following:

- Atikokan Hydro's financial position, as shown in its audited financial statements and financial reporting to the OEB; and
- Atikokan Hydro's 3-year performance with respect to system reliability indicators and electricity service quality requirements/indicators, as reported to the OEB.

Based on these considerations, the OEB has concluded that it will not require Atikokan Hydro's 2016 rates to be set on a cost of service basis. The OEB will place Atikokan Hydro on the list of distributors whose rates will be scheduled for rebasing for the 2017 rate year.

If Atikokan Hydro intends to seek a rate adjustment for 2016 rates, the OEB expects Atikokan Hydro to adhere to the process for Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting applications for the 2016 rate year as may be determined by the OEB.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary**