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Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: File Number EB-2015-0004, Hydro Ottawa Limited - Application for 2016-2020 Distribution Rates (the “Application”)

We are counsel to Rogers Communications Partnership, TELUS Communications Company and Quebecor Media (collectively, the “Carriers”). We are writing on behalf of the Carriers to request a short extension of the deadline for the Carriers to serve and file evidence, which is currently set as Monday, August 17, 2015.

By way of Procedural Order #4 dated August 5, 2015, the Board ordered that a technical conference be held on Thursday, August 13th and Friday, August 14th, 2015 with respect to Hydro Ottawa’s responses to interrogatories. Counsel for the Carriers attended at the technical conference on August 13th and sought clarification from Hydro Ottawa on a number of Hydro Ottawa’s responses to the Carriers’ interrogatories. In the result, Hydro Ottawa provided the Carriers with eighteen undertakings to obtain further information. Counsel for Hydro Ottawa has advised that although Hydro Ottawa anticipates it will be able to provide answers to many of the undertakings by end of day today, it expects that approximately seven of the undertakings will not be answered until next week, possibly by Wednesday, August 19th.

In Procedural Order #3, the Board ordered that Intervenor wishing to file evidence serve and file the evidence no later than Monday, August 17, 2015. This timeline provided the Intervenor with two days (over the weekend) to take into consideration the evidence of Hydro Ottawa at the technical conference. Given that many of Hydro Ottawa’s

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undertakings will not be answered by Monday, August 17th, the Carriers respectfully request that their deadline to file evidence be extended to two days following receipt of all answers to undertakings by Hydro Ottawa.

This extension is necessary as the expert retained by the Carriers requires the answers to undertakings to complete his analysis and finalise his report. In addition to the expert evidence, the Carriers anticipate that they will be serving and filing the evidence of one fact witness. This fact witness also requires Hydro Ottawa's answers to undertakings to finalise his evidence. In addition, this fact witness has had an unexpected death in his family and must attend a funeral on Monday, August 17th, which limits his ability to finalise his evidence within the current timetable.

Given the timeline provided by Hydro Ottawa for providing answers to its undertakings, it is not anticipated that the Carriers' request, if granted, will result in any delay to further steps in the proceedings.

Sincerely,



Leslie J. Milton

cc Applicant and other interested parties (by email)