EB-2015-0065

# Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges effective January 1, 2016.

# INTERROGATORIES OF ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION ("ENERGY PROBE")

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## ENERSOURCE HYDRO MISSISSAUGA INC. 2016 RATES CASE EB-2015-0065

# ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERROGATORIES

## **Interrogatory #1**

Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application filed August 17, 2015, Attachment H

Please confirm that on sheet 6 of Attachment H, the figures reflect the EB-2012-0033 2013 Board approved figures and not 2014 actuals. If this cannot be confirmed, please explain.

# **Interrogatory #2**

Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application filed August 17, 2015, Attachment H

Please update Attachment H to reflect an inflation factor of 2.1%.

# **Interrogatory #3**

Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application filed August 17, 2015, pages 22-24

- a) Please explain why the CIAC is significantly lower in 2016 than in the previous three years, as shown in Table 5.
- b) Please provide a table that shows the CIAC by year, along with the gross capital expenditures to which the contributions are applied and explain any significant different in the ratios between 2016 and the three previous years.
- c) Please provide a copy of the Distribution System Plan referred to.
- d) Please expand Table 5 and 6 to include figures for the timeframe of the DSP referenced in the evidence.
- e) Please update Table 5 to reflect the most recent year-to-date actuals available for 2015, along with the current forecast for the remainder of the year.

f) Please confirm that all of the \$116,663,581 in net capital expenditures forecast for 2016 are forecast to be in service by the end of 2016. If this cannot be confirmed, please indicate the amount that is expected to be in service by the end of the year.

## **Interrogatory #4**

- Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application filed August 17, 2015, pages 25-27
  - a) Please explain fully, including any calculations, or correspondence with Hydro One, on how Enersource has arrived at the payment of \$41,665,000 for the Hydro One TS.
  - b) Is the \$41,665,000 the total contribution expected to be paid for this TS to Hydro One? If not, please provide the total expected contribution and the anticipated breakdown of this amount by year.
  - c) If the \$41,665,000 is the estimated total contribution to be paid to Hydro One, please confirm that Enersource is required to make the entire payment in 2016. If this cannot be confirmed, please explain why Enersource has included this amount in 2016.

#### **Interrogatory #5**

- Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application, Supplementary Evidence 2016 Capital Expenditure Projects Budget filed October 2, 2015
  - a) Please confirm that the forecasts shown represent the most recent forecast used by Enersource for 2016.
  - b) Please indicate which projects/expenditures could be deferred to 2017 without any significant impact on the operations of Enersource.
  - c) Please identify any project/expenditure that may be impacted by a merger with other distributors in 2016.

#### **Interrogatory #6**

Ref: 2016 Price Cap Application, Supplementary Evidence - 2016 Capital Expenditure Projects Budget filed October 2, 2015 & Project Business Cases

Please provide a live Excel spreadsheet that contains the information found in the 2016 Capital Expenditure Projects Budgets Spreadsheet with the following information added as new columns for each project, taken from the project business cases (using the numerical figures used in the business case):

- a) Regulatory/Public Policy Responsiveness Is the project mandatory? Yes or No?
- b) Customer Focus
  - i) Service Quality
  - ii) Customer Satisfaction
  - iii) Reputational Risk

## c) Operational Effectiveness

- i) Safety (Customer & Employees)
- ii) Environmental Impact/risk
- iii) System Reliability
- iv) System Renewal
- d) Financial Performance
  - i) Cost Efficiencies
  - ii) Ongoing Costs.

**Interrogatory #7** 

**Ref: Project Business Cases** 

For each of (a), (b), (c) and (d) noted in Interrogatory #6, please provide the numerical figures that could be used and describe each numerical option. As an example, if the results can range from 0 to 10 for some of the categories, what do each of the numbers mean in the context of the performance categories?