



December 8, 2015

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: **Hydro Ottawa Limited Custom Incentive Regulation ("Custom IR")
Application for 2016-2020 Electricity Distribution Rates and Charges –
Board File Number EB-2015-0004**

Hydro Ottawa Limited (Hydro Ottawa) herein requests that, in the event that the OEB is unable to issue a final rate order in a timely manner allowing Hydro Ottawa to implement rates for January 1, 2016, that the Board grant an Order rendering interim the rates and charges set out in Appendix 2-Z of the Amended September 18, 2015 Settlement Proposal as filed December 7, 2015. Approving these rates would be consistent with the OEB's finding in Procedural Order No. #11, namely that the non-facilities related elements of Hydro Ottawa's settlement proposal reflect the public interest.

With respect to the Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles Hydro Ottawa notes that the rate would remain at the approved 2015 rate of \$22.35, until the Board has issued Hydro Ottawa's January 1, 2016 final rate order.

As an alternative to the foregoing, Hydro Ottawa requests that the Board make all of its current distribution rates and charges interim effective January 1, 2016 pending the Board's final rate order. Hydro Ottawa notes that on page 24 of its September 18, 2015 Settlement Proposal, the Parties agreed that Hydro Ottawa will implement a rate rider to recover from its customers foregone revenues that would otherwise have been collected if Hydro Ottawa's new rates were in effect as of January 1, 2016.

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Finally, Hydro Ottawa seeks a direction from the OEB to collect any foregone revenues arising from an interim pole attachment rate directly from the pole attachers.

Thank you,



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