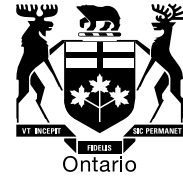


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January 28, 2016

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Dear Mr. Armstrong:

**Re: Welland Hydro Electric System Corp.
Application for Rates
Board File Number EB-2015-0109**

As outlined in the case management letter issued on October 13, 2015, the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) Vice President, Applications has been delegated authority under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to make a decision on the 2016 Price Cap IR application filed by Welland Hydro Electric System on September 28, 2015. All relevant information and updates to the application have now been provided.

Attached to this letter is a draft of the decision the delegated authority proposes to make based on the application and any subsequent updates or clarifications. Please review the decision and provide any comments. Please also review the accompanying draft Rate Order for accuracy and completeness. Any comments are to be provided no later than February 11, 2016.

The Vice President, Applications will consider your comments, if any, provided they have been received by the deadline, and issue a final decision and rate order in due course.

Any questions relating to this letter or your application should be directed to Jane Scott, Project Advisor at 416-544-5174 or jane.scott@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary