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BY EMAIL

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To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors

Re: Collection of Compensation Amounts under Ontario Regulation 330/09 for 2016, as of May 1, 2016

Ontario Regulation 330/09 under the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, regarding cost recovery for eligible investments for the purpose of connecting or enabling the connection of a qualifying generation facility to a distribution system, requires the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to calculate the monthly amount to be collected by the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) to provide compensation to qualifying distributors for rate protection provided to consumers. On May 19, 2016 the OEB issued its EB-2016-0170 Decision and Order directing the IESO to adjust the charge effective May 1, 2016. The EB-2016-0170 Decision and Order is attached.

Amount to be Charged by the IESO as of May 1, 2016

The EB-2016-0170 Decision and Order established the 2016 compensation amount (as of May 1, 2016) for the following qualifying distributors, based on the rate decisions setting annual amounts for those distributors:

- Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc. (EB-2015-0065)
- Toronto Hydro-Electric System Inc. (EB-2014-0116).
- Waterloo North Hydro Inc. (EB-2015-0108)
- PowerStream Inc. (EB-2014-0108)
- Fort Frances Power Corporation (EB-2013-0130)
- Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. (EB-2013-0147)
- Haldimand County Hydro Inc. (EB-2013-0134)
- Veridian Connections Inc. (EB-2013-0174)

- Peterborough Distribution Inc. (EB-2012-0160)
- Thunder Bay Hydro Distribution Inc. (EB-2012-0167)
- Horizon Utilities Corporation Inc. (EB-2011-0172)
- Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc. (EB-2011-0123)
- Hydro One Brampton Inc. (EB-2014-0083)

Commencing May 1, 2016, a net amount of \$222,320 per month will be collected. The IESO shall collect \$208,379 from all market participants and \$13,941 from Hydro One Brampton. The amounts collected shall be distributed to qualifying distributors.

The monthly amount billed to each distributor in the province will vary depending on the energy withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid for each month.

Amount to be Charged by Distributors in 2016

In determining the amount to be collected by the IESO, the OEB acknowledged that distributors will be passing on this charge to their electricity distribution customers through the Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMSR) currently approved by the OEB at \$0.0036 per kWh. It is the OEB's view that at its current level, the Renewable Generation Compensation Rate Protection would have a minimal impact on balances in the Wholesale Market Service - Retail Services Variance Account (Account 1580) and therefore did not adjust the WMSR. The WMSR will remain at its current level of \$0.0036 per kWh until such time as the OEB amends the WMSR.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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Attachment