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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2015-0072

Grimsby Power Incorporated Electricity Distribution Rate Application for 2016 Rates – Settlement Proposal

The parties reached a partial settlement in this matter and the Partial Settlement Proposal was submitted June 24, 2016. Pursuant to Procedural Order No. 2 an oral hearing was held on July 13 – 14, 2016 in order for the Board to receive a presentation of the Settlement Proposal and address the unsettled issues. The Partial Settlement Proposal was presented and the Board Panel provided comments and guidance with respect to the treatment of certain existing deferral accounts and of the costs related to a future asset condition assessment to be performed by Grimsby Power. The Parties have considered the Panel's comments and have agreed to a revision of the proposal to address them. Please find enclosed the revised Partial Settlement Proposal in this matter. Revisions to the text of the proposal may be found at pages 12, 13 and 31, and the Parties have added a Draft Accounting Order at Appendix F.

If additional information is required by the Board please contact me via e-mail (<a href="mailto:dougc@grimsbypower.com">dougc@grimsbypower.com</a>) or by phone at 905-945-5437 Ext. 221.

Regards,

Doug Curtiss, P.Eng. Chief Executive Officer Grimsby Power Inc.

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**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15, 3 Schedule B, as amended (the "OEB Act);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Grimsby Power Incorporated under Section 78 of the OEB Act to the Ontario Energy Board for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other service charges for the distribution of electricity as of May 1, 2016.

#### **GRIMSBY POWER INCORPORATED ("Grimsby Power")**

## APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF 2016 ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATES

EB-2015-0072

#### SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL

Filed: June 24, 2016

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The following live excel models have been filed together with and form an integral part of this settlement proposal:

Grimsby\_SettlementP\_2016\_Load\_Forecast\_2016\_COP\_Forecast\_20160616

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# Grimsby Power Incorporated EB-2015-0072 SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL Filed with the Ontario Energy Board: June 24, 2016

- 2 Grimsby Power Incorporated (the "Applicant" or "Grimsby Power") filed a cost of service
- application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "OEB") on December 23, 2015 under
- 4 section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) (the
- 5 "Act"), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Grimsby Power charges for electricity
- distribution, to be effective May 1, 2016 (OEB File Number EB-2015-0072) (the "Application").
- 7 The OEB issued a Notice to Customers of Grimsby Power Incorporated on March 3, 2016. In
- 8 Procedural Order No. 1, dated April 1, 2016, the OEB set out dates for a Presentation Day to the
- 9 OEB, OEB staff and intervenors; written interrogatories; Grimsby Power's responses to
- interrogatories; Settlement Conference dates; and outlined the timetable of the various other
- 11 elements in the proceeding.
- 12 Following the receipt of interrogatories, Grimsby Power filed its interrogatory responses with
- the OEB on May 6, 2016 and filed responses to Energy Probe clarifying questions on
- 14 May 20, 2016.

- 15 On May 20, 2016 the OEB issued its decision on the proposed issues list. The decision found
- that cost allocation and rate design issues related to Niagara West MTS and the Embedded
- 17 Distributor class would be dealt with under the general cost allocation and rate design issues on
- the list at Issues 3.1 and 3.2.
- 19 This Settlement Proposal is filed with the OEB in connection with the Application.
- 20 Further to the OEB's Procedural Order No. 1 and its Issues List Decision, a Settlement
- 21 Conference was convened on May 24, 25, and 26, 2016 in accordance with the OEB's Rules of
- 22 Practice and Procedure (the "Rules") and the OEB's Practice Direction on Settlement
- 23 Conferences (the "Practice Direction"). Mr. Chris Haussmann acted as facilitator for the
- 24 Settlement Conference.
- 25 Grimsby Power and the following Intervenors (the "Intervenors"), participated in the Settlement
- 26 Conference:
- 27 Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe");
- 28 School Energy Coalition ("SEC");

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- 1 Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"),
- 2 Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. ("NPEI").
- 3 Cogeco, was present for a period of time on May 24, 2016 but did not actively participate.
- 4 Cogeco was not present on May 25 or 26, 2016. As such Cogeco is not a party to this
- 5 settlement proposal.
- 6 Grimsby Power and the Intervenors are collectively referred to below as the "Parties".
- 7 Ontario Energy Board staff ("OEB staff") also participated in the Settlement Conference. The
- 8 role adopted by OEB staff is set out in page 5 of the Practice Direction. Although OEB staff
- 9 is not a party to this Settlement Proposal, as noted in the Practice Direction, OEB staff who
- 10 did participate in the settlement conference are bound by the same confidentiality and
- privilege rules that apply to the Parties to the proceeding.
- 12 This document is called a "Settlement Proposal" because it is a proposal by the Parties to the
- OEB to settle the issues in this proceeding. It is termed a proposal as between the Parties
- and the OEB. However, as between the Parties, and subject only to the OEB's approval of
- this Settlement Proposal, this document is intended to be a legal agreement, creating mutual
- obligations, and binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms. As set forth later in this
- 17 Preamble, this agreement is subject to a condition subsequent, that if it is not accepted by the
- OEB in its entirety, then unless amended by the Parties it is null and void and of no further
- 19 effect. In entering into this agreement, the Parties understand and agree that, pursuant to the
- 20 Act, the OEB has exclusive jurisdiction with respect to the interpretation and enforcement of
- 21 the terms hereof.
- 22 These settlement proceedings are subject to the rules relating to privilege contained in the
- 23 Practice Direction. The Parties acknowledge that this settlement proceeding is confidential
- 24 in accordance with the OEB's Practice Direction on Settlement Conferences. The Parties
- 25 understand that confidentiality in that context does not have the same meaning as
- 26 confidentiality in the OEB's Practice Direction on Confidential Filings, and the rules of that
- 27 latter document do not apply. Instead, in this settlement conference, and in this Agreement,
- the Parties have interpreted "confidential" to mean that the documents and other information
- 29 provided during the course of the settlement proceeding, the discussion of each issue, the
- 30 offers and counter-offers, and the negotiations leading to the settlement or not of each
- 31 issue during the settlement conference are strictly privileged and without prejudice. None of
- 32 the foregoing is admissible as evidence in this proceeding, or otherwise, with one exception, the

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need to resolve a subsequent dispute over the interpretation of any provision of this Settlement Proposal. Further, the Parties shall not disclose those documents or other information to persons who were not attendees at the settlement conference. However, the Parties agree that "attendees" is deemed to include, in this context, persons who were not physically in attendance at the settlement conference but were a) any persons or entities that the Parties engage to assist them with the settlement conference, and b) any persons or entities from whom they seek instructions with respect to the negotiations; in each case provided that any such persons or entities have agreed to be bound by the same confidentiality provisions.

This Settlement Proposal provides a brief description of each of the settled and partially settled issues, as applicable, together with references to the evidence. The Parties agree that references to the "evidence" in this Settlement Proposal shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include (a) additional information included by the Parties in this Settlement Proposal, and (b) the Appendices to this document. The supporting Parties for each settled and partially settled issue, as applicable, agree that the evidence in respect of that settled or partially settled issue, as applicable, is sufficient in the context of the overall settlement to support the proposed settlement, and the sum of the evidence in this proceeding provides an appropriate evidentiary record to support acceptance by the OEB of this Settlement Proposal. The Parties agree that references to the evidence in this Settlement Proposal shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include, in addition to the Application, the responses to interrogatories, clarifying questions, and all other components of the record up to and including the date hereof, including additional information included by the Parties in this Settlement Proposal and the Appendices to this document.

- There are Appendices and live Excel models attached to this Settlement Proposal which provide further support for the proposed settlement. The Parties acknowledge that the Appendices were prepared by Grimsby Power. While the Intervenors have reviewed the Appendices and live Excel models, the Intervenors are relying on the accuracy of the underlying evidence in entering into this Settlement Proposal.
- For ease of reference, this Settlement Proposal follows the format of the final approved Issues
  List.
- The Parties are pleased to advise the OEB that the Parties have reached a partial agreement with respect to most of the issues in this proceeding. Specifically:

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| "Complete Settlement" means an issue for which complete settlement was reached by all Parties, and if this Settlement Proposal is accepted by the OEB, the Parties will not adduce any evidence or argument during the oral hearing in respect of these issues.  | # issues<br>settled:<br>Eight   |
|--|---------------------------------|
| "Partial Settlement" means an issue for which there is partial settlement, as Grimsby Power and the Intervenors who take any position on the issue were able to agree on some, but not all, aspects of the particular issue. If this Settlement Proposal is accepted by the OEB, the Parties who take any position on the issue will only adduce evidence and argument during the hearing on those portions of the issues not addressed in this Settlement Proposal. | # issues partially settled:     |
| "No Settlement" means an issue for which no settlement was reached. Grimsby Power and the Intervenors who take a position on the issue will adduce evidence and/or argument at the hearing on the issue.   | # issues<br>not settled:<br>One |

- 1 If applicable, a Party who is noted as taking no position on an issue may or may not have
- 2 participated in the discussion on that particular issue, but in either case such Party takes no position
- a) on the settlement reached, and b) on the sufficiency of the evidence filed to date.
- 4 According to the Practice Direction (p. 3), the Parties must consider whether a Settlement
- 5 Proposal should include an appropriate adjustment mechanism for any settled issue that may be
- 6 affected by external factors. These adjustments are specifically set out in the text of the
- 7 Settlement Proposal.
- 8 The Parties have settled the issues as a package, and none of the parts of this Settlement
- 9 Proposal are severable. If the OEB does not accept this Settlement Proposal in its entirety,
- 10 then there is no settlement (unless the Parties agree in writing that any part(s) of this
- 11 Settlement Proposal that the OEB does accept may continue as a valid settlement without
- inclusion of any part(s) that the OEB does not accept).
- 13 In the event that the OEB directs the Parties to make reasonable efforts to revise the
- 14 Settlement Proposal, the Parties agree to use reasonable efforts to discuss any potential
- 15 revisions, but no Party will be obligated to accept any proposed revision. The Parties agree
- that all of the Parties who took on a position on a particular issue must agree with any
- 17 revised Settlement Proposal as it relates to that issue prior to its resubmission to the OEB.

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Unless stated otherwise, the settlement of any particular issue in this proceeding and the positions of the Parties in this Settlement Proposal are without prejudice to the rights of Parties to raise the same issue and/or to take any position thereon in any other proceeding, whether or not Grimsby Power is a party to such proceeding, provided that no Party shall take a position that would result in this Agreement not applying in accordance with the terms contained herein.

Where in this Agreement, the Parties or any of them "accept" the evidence of Grimsby Power, or "agree" to a revised term or condition, including a revised budget or forecast, then unless the Agreement expressly states to the contrary, the words "for the purpose of settlement of the issues herein" shall be deemed to qualify that acceptance or agreement.

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#### SUMMARY

- 2 In reaching this settlement, the Parties have been guided by the Filing Requirements for 2016
- 3 rates and the approved Issues List.
- 4 This Settlement Proposal reflects a partial settlement of the issues in this proceeding.
- 5 The issues not settled and the proposed method of hearing the issues and the reasons are as
- 6 follows:

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- OM&A the Parties agree that this issue should be dealt with by way of an oral hearing
   due to the complexity of the components included in the OM&A;
  - Effective Date of Rates the Parties agree that this issue should be dealt with by way of an oral hearing due to the fact that Grimsby Power's requested effective date of May 1, 2016 is now past; and
  - PILs the Parties agree that due to the complex and technical nature of the disputed issue (how loss carry forwards are applied within the PILs model) it would best be dealt with by way of an oral hearing.
- The Parties note that the following Tables, Appendix A through Appendix E, and the live Excel models represent the evidence and the settlement between the Parties at the time of filing this settlement, but that some of the evidence may need to be updated subject to the Board's determination of unsettled issues, as discussed below.
- 19 The Board's determination of the issues related to the above unsettled issues are expected to
- 20 have impacts on revenue requirement and the resultant rates for Grimsby Power customers. All
- 21 aspects of this Settlement Proposal are subject to the normal impacts that would arise on a
- 22 change in OM&A, effective date, and PILs.
- 23 This Agreement will allow Grimsby Power to continue to make the necessary capital
- 24 investments to maintain the safety and reliability of the electricity distribution service that it
- provides. Because the matter of 2016 Test Year OM&A and PILs remains outstanding, the
- revised Base Revenue Requirement for the 2016 Test Year cannot be determined at this time,
- but for the purposes of preparing the Appendices to this Agreement, the Parties have assumed
- that OM&A is as set out in the Application subject only to changes through the interrogatory
- 29 process.

- A Revenue Requirement Work Form, incorporating all of the changes agreed in this Agreement,
- but assuming for all purposes, OM&A is as filed in the original application and PILs is as filed in
- 3 this settlement proposal, and a future settlement date is annexed as Appendix B. The
- 4 assumption in that document with respect of unsettled issues is not intended by any of the
- 5 Parties to be indicative of the appropriateness of those amounts, or any of their components or
- 6 impacts, but are instead placeholders pending the Board's determination on those issues.
- 7 Through the settlement process, Grimsby Power has agreed to certain adjustments from its
- 8 original 2016 Application. The changes are described in the following sections. The following
- 9 Table 1 sets out the matters that are the subject of complete settlement; partial settlement; and
- 10 no settlement.

**Table 1 – Settlement Proposal – Results** 

| Complete Settlement | Partial Settlement | No Settlement |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1.1                 |                    | 1.2           |
|                     | 2.1, 2.2           |               |
| 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4  |                    |               |
| 4.1, 4.2            |                    |               |
| 5.1                 |                    |               |

- The matters that are the subject of partial settlement are not in dispute; rather, they cannot be
- finalized until the matters relating to: 1) the 2016 Test Year OM&A, 2) the impact of the final
- 15 PILs calculation, and 3) the determination of an effective date for rates.
- 16 Based on the foregoing, and the evidence and rationale provided below, the Parties agree that this
- 17 Settlement Proposal is appropriate and recommend its acceptance by the OEB.
- 18 Grimsby Power has provided the following Table 2 highlighting the changes to its Cost of
- 19 Capital, Rate Base and Capital, Operating Expenses and Revenue Requirement from Grimsby
- 20 Power's Application as filed, interrogatories and clarifying questions and this Settlement
- 21 Proposal. This Table does not reflect those issues not settled and yet to be determined by the
- 22 OEB.

#### Table 2 – Summary of Changes to Revenue Requirement

|                      | Description                 | Initial<br>Application<br>A | Interrogatories<br>& Clarifying<br>Questions<br>B | Difference<br>C=B-A | Settlement<br>Proposal 1.1<br>D | Difference<br>E=D-B | Settlement<br>Proposal 2.1 d)<br>F | Difference<br>G=F-D | Settlement<br>Proposal 3.1<br>H | Difference<br>I=H-F | Total Difference from Interrogatories & Clarifying J=H-B |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Cost of Capital      | Regulated Return on Capital | 1,544,665                   | 1,523,615   | - 21,050            | 1,517,541                       | 6,074               | 1,353,237                          | 164,304             | 1,353,237                       |                     | 170,378  |
| cost or capital      | Regulated Rate of Return    | 6.19%                       | 6.16%   | -0.03%              | 6.16%                           | 0.00%               | 5.49%                              | -0.67%              | 5.49%                           | 0.00%               | -0.67%   |
|                      |                             |                             |   |                     |                                 | -                   |                                    | -                   |                                 | -                   | -  |
| Rate Base and        | Rate Base                   | 24,959,518                  | 24,734,446  | - 225,072           | 24,635,835                      | 98,611              | 24,635,835                         | -                   | 24,635,835                      |                     | 98,611   |
| Capital Expenditures | Working Capital             | 27,782,522                  | 28,116,313  | 333,791             | 28,116,313                      | -                   | 28,116,313                         | -                   | 28,116,313                      | -                   | -  |
| cupital Expellatures | Working Capital Allowance   | 2,083,689                   | 2,108,723   | 25,034              | 2,108,723                       | 0                   | 2,108,723                          | -                   | 2,108,723                       |                     | 0  |
|                      |                             |                             |   |                     |                                 |                     |                                    |                     |                                 |                     | -  |
|                      | Amortization/Depreciation   | 1,000,584                   | 1,001,258   | 674                 | 998,481                         | 2,777               | 998,481                            | -                   | 998,481                         |                     | 2,777  |
| Operating Expenses   | PILs                        | 69,211                      | 88,467  | 19,256              | 89,043                          | 576                 | 89,043                             | -                   | 89,043                          | -                   | 576  |
|                      | OM&A                        | 3,925,363                   | 3,925,363   | -                   | 3,925,363                       | -                   | 3,925,363                          | -                   | 3,925,363                       | -                   | -  |
|                      |                             |                             |   |                     |                                 | -                   |                                    | -                   |                                 | -                   | -  |
|                      | Service Revenue Requirement | 6,574,945                   | 6,573,825   | - 1,120             | 6,565,549                       | 8,276               | 6,401,246                          | 164,304             | 6,401,246                       |                     | 172,579  |
|                      | Other Revenue               | 301,588                     | 301,588   | -                   | 301,588                         | -                   | 301,588                            | -                   | 301,588                         | -                   | -  |
| Revenue Requirement  | Base Revenue Requirement    | 6,273,355                   | 6,272,236   | - 1,119             | 6,263,961                       | 8,276               | 6,099,658                          | 164,304             | 6,099,658                       |                     | 172,579  |
|                      | 1                           |                             |   |                     |                                 | -                   |                                    | -                   |                                 | -                   | -  |
|                      | Gross Revenue Deficiency    | 1,872,051                   | 1,822,499   | - 49,552            | 1,814,223                       | 8,276               | 1,649,919                          | 164,304             | 1,620,216                       | 29,703 -            | 202,283  |

#### 1 PLANNING

#### 1.1 Capital

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Is the level of planned capital expenditures appropriate and is the rationale for planning and pacing choices appropriate and adequately explained, giving due consideration to:

- customer feedback and preferences;
- productivity;
  - compatibility with historic expenditures;
  - compatibility with applicable benchmarks;
- reliability and service quality;
  - impact on distribution rates;
    - trade-offs with OM&A spending;
      - government-mandated obligations; and
      - the objectives of the Applicant and its customers
- 15 **Complete Settlement:** The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the level of 16 planned capital expenditures is appropriate subject to the adjustments below:
- 17 Grimsby Power agrees to reduce its 2016 gross capital additions by \$200,000 to better
- reflect the normalized average difference between planned System Renewal projects
- and actual System Renewal projects since Grimsby Power's last cost of service.
- 20 Grimsby Power has made this adjustment to USoA 1830 Poles, Towers and Fixtures and
- 21 USoA 1845 Underground Conductors and Devices (\$100,000 each) for the purpose of
- reflecting the adjustment in Grimsby Power's gross capital additions. Grimsby Power will adjust
- 23 its depreciation expense accordingly. Appendix A sets out the revised 2016 Fixed Asset
- 24 Continuity Schedule. The Parties acknowledge that actual capital spending may vary from
- 25 Board-approved based on the operational decisions of Grimsby Power during the Test Year.
- 26 Grimsby Power also agrees to conduct an independent Asset Condition Assessment to be
- 27 submitted as part of its next cost of service or Custom IR application. It is understood by the
- Parties that Grimsby Power will include the cost of this Asset Condition Assessment as part of
- 29 the regulatory costs submitted with the next cost of service or Custom IR application in a
- deferral account which is to be created and approved by the Board. The Parties request that
- the Board issue an Accounting Order in this regard. For the Board's assistance, the Parties

#### have provided a draft Accounting Order as Appendix F to this Settlement Proposal.

- In addition, the Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the rationale for planning and pacing choices that inform its planned capital expenditures, as adjusted, are appropriate and adequately explained, giving due consideration to:
  - The customer feedback and preferences as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages
     29 31, 47 50, and 55 68, Appendix 1-D, 1-E, and 1-F;
    - The past and planned productivity initiatives of Grimsby Power as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages 69 – 79;
    - The compatibility with historic expenditures as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages 25 – 29, EXHIBIT 2, 35 - 44 and Appendix 2-A;
    - Grimsby Power's compatibility with appropriate benchmarks as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages, 83, EXHIBIT 4, pages 67 – 68 and interrogatories 4-SEC-24 – Grimsby Power's 2014 Scorecard – EXHIBIT 1, page 45 & Appendix 1-C;
    - Grimsby Power's reliability and service quality performance as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages 11, and EXHIBIT 2, pages 61-62, and interrogatories 4-SEC-24;
    - The total impact on distribution rates has not been determined as there are unsettled issues as discussed above;
    - Changes to OM&A spending have not been determined as OM&A spending is not settled as discussed above;
    - Grimsby Power's past and planned performance meeting government mandated obligations as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages 79 - 81; and
    - Grimsby Power's targets and objectives as more fully detailed in EXHIBIT 1, pages 10 – 14.

Grimsby Power confirms that the adjustments agreed to in this Settlement Proposal should not compromise its ability to (a) pursue continuous improvement in productivity; (b) maintain system reliability and service quality objectives; and (c) maintain reliable and safe operation of its distribution system.

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- EXHIBIT 1, page 25-33, Rate Base and Capital Plan;
- EXHIBIT 2, Rate Base in its entirety;
  - <u>Interrogatory Responses:</u>
  - 2-Staff-10, 2-Staff-11, 2-Staff-12, 2-Staff-13, 2-Staff-16, 2-Staff-17, 2-Staff-18, 2-Staff-19, 2-Staff-20, 2-Staff-21, 2-Staff-22, 2-Staff-23, 2-Staff-24, 2-Staff-25, 2-Staff-26, 2-Staff-28, 2-Staff 29, 2-Staff-30, 2-Energy Probe-6, 2-Energy Probe-10, 2-Energy Probe-11, 2-Energy Probe-12, 2-VECC-7, 2-VECC-8, 2-VECC-9, 2-VECC-10, 2-VECC-11, 2-VECC-12, 2-VECC-14, 2-VECC-15, 2-SEC-11, 2-SEC-12, 2-SEC-13, 2-SEC-14, 2-SEC-15, 2-SEC-16, 2-SEC-17;
- 12 <u>Clarifying Questions:</u>
- 13 None
- 14 Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:
- 4 Appendix A
- 16 Supporting Parties: All
- 17 **1.2 OM&A**
- Is the level of planned OM&A expenditures appropriate and is the rationale for planning choices appropriate and adequately explained, giving due consideration to:
- customer feedback and preferences;
- productivity;
  - benchmarking of costs;
- reliability and service quality;
- impact on distribution rates;
- trade-offs with capital spending;
  - government-mandated obligations; and
- the objectives of the Applicant and its customers.
- 28 No Settlement:

#### 2 REVENUE REQUIREMENT

**2.1** Are all elements of the Base Revenue Requirement reasonable, and have they been appropriately determined in accordance with OEB policies and practices?

#### **Partial Settlement:**

The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that all elements of the Base Revenue Requirement, with the exception of OM&A and PILS, have been correctly determined in accordance with OEB policies and practices. Specifically:

a) Rate Base: The parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the rate base calculations, including the adjustments as detailed in this Settlement Proposal are reasonable and have been appropriately determined in accordance with OEB policies and practices. The calculation provided in Table 3 does not include the future OEB determination on any unsettled issues.

Table 3 - Rate Base Calculations

| Description                       | Initial<br>Application | Interrogatories<br>& Clarifying<br>Questions | Variance  | Settlement<br>Proposal | Variance  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
|                                   | Α                      | В  | C=B-A     | D                      | E=D-B     |
| Average Gross Fixed Assets        | 28,891,122             | 28,632,921                                   | (258,201) | 28,532,921             | (100,000) |
| Average Accumulated Depreciation_ | (6,015,294)            | (6,007,198)                                  | 8,096     | (6,005,810)            | 1,388     |
| Average Net Fixed Assets          | 22,875,828             | 22,625,723                                   | (250,105) | 22,527,111             | (98,612)  |
|                                   |                        |  |           |                        |           |
| Controllable Expenses             | 3,937,404              | 3,937,404                                    | -         | 3,937,404              | -         |
| Cost of Power                     | 23,845,118             | 24,178,909                                   | 333,791   | 24,178,909             | -         |
| Working Capital                   | 27,782,522             | 28,116,313                                   | 333,791   | 28,116,313             | -         |
| Working Capital Rate %            | 7.50%                  | 7.50%  |           | 7.50%                  |           |
| Allowance for Working Capital     | 2,083,689              | 2,108,723                                    | -         | 2,108,723              | -         |
|                                   |                        |  |           |                        |           |
| Total Rate Base                   | 24,959,517             | 24,734,446                                   | (250,105) | 24,635,835             | (98,612)  |

b) Working Capital: The parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the working capital calculations are reasonable and have been appropriately determined in accordance with OEB policies and practices. This calculation assumes the OM&A as filed and is not intended by any of the Parties to be indicative of the appropriateness of those amounts, or any of their components or impacts, but are instead placeholders pending the Board's determination on those issues. Grimsby Power has used the working capital allowance default value of

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- c) OM&A: No Settlement.
  - d) Cost of Capital: The Parties agree that the cost of capital calculation will be adjusted as follows:
    - Adjustment to the TD debt for the NWTC Loan from \$3,633,000 to \$4,408,000 (\$3,633,000 plus a \$775,000 breakage fee) at an interest rate of 2% (originally 6.31%) which will reduce the Weighted Long Term Debt Cost Rate for 2016 to 3.13%. The interest rate of 2% was an indicative rate provided by the TD Bank to refinance Grimsby Power's existing swap into a new swap agreement.

The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the proposed capital structure, rate of return on equity and short and long-term debt costs have been correctly determined in accordance with OEB policies and practices.

The calculation of the new long term debt and the weighted long term debt calculation is shown in Table 4 below.

**Table 4: Weighted Long Term Debt Cost Calculation** 

| Description                        | Lender             | Affliated<br>with<br>LDC? | Fixed or<br>Variable Rate? | Start Date        | Principal | Term<br>(Years) | Rate% | Year Applied to | Interest<br>Cost |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|------------------|
| Promissory Note                    | Town of Grimsby    | Υ                         | Fixed                      | April 1, 2001     | 5,782,746 | 20              | 4.54% | 2016            | 262,536.67       |
| Smart Meter/Capital Financing      | TD Commercial Bank | N                         | Fixed                      | March 31, 2011    | 1,117,728 | 15              | 3.34% | 2016            | 37,360.35        |
| Truck Loan                         | TD Commercial Bank | N                         | Fixed                      | December 4, 2012  | 247,618   | 15              | 3.52% | 2016            | 8,717.90         |
| Capital Loan & Economic Evaluation | TD Commercial Bank | N                         | Fixed                      | December 12, 2012 | 2,670,000 | 1               | 2.05% | 2016            | 54,735.00        |
| Economic Evaluation                | TD Commercial Bank | N                         | Fixed                      | November 3, 2015  | 600,000   | 1               | 2.01% | 2016            | 12,060.00        |
| NWTC loan                          | TD Commercial Bank | N                         | Fixed                      | April 30, 2004    | 4,408,000 | 21              | 2.00% | 2016            | 88,160.00        |

2016 Total Long Term Debt \$14,826,091

Total Interest Cost for 2016 \$ 463,570

3.13%

Weighted Debt Cost Rate for 2016

e) Other Revenue: The parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that its Other Revenue in the amount of \$301,588 is appropriate and correctly determined in

accordance with OEB policies and practices.

f) Depreciation: The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that its forecast depreciation/amortization expenses, as adjusted, are appropriate and reflect the useful lives of the assets and have been correctly determined in accordance with OEB accounting policies and practices.

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g) Taxes/PILs: No settlement. Grimsby Power has submitted a revised PILs work form reflecting the position on the use of loss carry forward at the beginning of the settlement conference. Within the model the 2016 capital cost allowance from schedule 8 changed due to the change in the 2016 capital additions as filed in this settlement.

The parties do not agree on the PILs methodology regarding the determination and application of loss carry forwards.

| 1  |     | Evidence:   |
|----|-----|---|
| 2  |     | Application:  |
| 3  |     | EXHIBIT 1, page 27, Summary of Rate Base; Summary of Working Capital                |
| 4  |     | EXHIBIT 2, Rate Base in its entirety;   |
| 5  |     | EXHIBIT 3, pages 33-35, Other Revenue;  |
| 6  |     | EXHIBIT 5, Cost of Capital and Capital Structure in its entirety;                   |
| 7  |     | ATTACHMENT 4-E Income Tax PILS Workform   |
| 8  |     | Interrogatory Responses:  |
| 9  |     | 2-Staff-9, 2-Energy Probe-6, 2-Energy Probe-9,                                      |
| 10 |     | • 3-Staff-31, 3-Energy Probe-19,  |
| 11 |     | 4-Energy Probe-21, 4-Energy Probe-34  |
| 12 |     | • 5-Energy Probe-37   |
| 13 |     | Clarifying Questions:   |
| 14 |     | 6. Energy Probe Ref: 5-Staff-41   |
| 15 |     | Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:   |
| 16 |     | Appendix B  |
| 17 |     | Supporting Parties: All   |
| 18 | 2.2 | Has the Base Revenue Requirement been accurately determined based on these          |
| 19 |     | elements?   |
| 20 |     | Partial Settlement: With the exception of the unsettled issues (OM&A and PILs) and  |
| 21 |     | subject to the adjustments expressly noted in this Settlement Proposal, the Parties |
| 22 |     | accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the proposed Base Revenue Requirement has |
| 23 |     | been accurately determined based on these elements. The following Table 5 sets out  |
| 24 |     | Grimsby Power's base revenue requirement calculation for the 2016 Test Year.        |

#### Table 5 – Calculation of Base Revenue Requirement – 2016 Test Year

|                                     | Initial<br>Application<br>A | Interrogatories<br>& Clarifying<br>Questions<br>B | Difference<br>C=B-A | Settlement<br>Proposal 1.1<br>D | Difference<br>E=D-B | Settlement<br>Proposal 2.1 d)<br>F | Difference<br>G=F-D | Total Difference from Interrogatories & Clarifying H=F-B |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| OM&A                                | 3,925,363                   | 3,925,363   | -                   | 3,925,363                       | -                   | 3,925,363                          | -                   | -  |
| LEAP                                | 7,528                       | 7,528   | -                   | 7,528                           | -                   | 7,528                              | -                   | -  |
| Property Tax                        | 27,594                      | 27,594  | -                   | 27,594                          | -                   | 27,594                             | -                   | -  |
| Depreciation                        | 1,000,584                   | 1,001,258   | 674                 | 998,481                         | - 2,777             | 998,481                            |                     | - 2,777  |
| Total Distribution Expenses         | 4,961,069                   | 4,961,743   | 674                 | 4,958,966                       | 2,777               | 4,958,966                          | -                   | - 2,777  |
| Regulated Return on Rate Base       | 1,544,665                   | 1,523,615   | - 21,050            | 1,517,541                       | - 6,074             | 1,353,237                          | - 164,304           | - 170,378  |
| PIL's                               | 69,211                      | 88,467  | 19,256              | 89,043                          | 576                 | 89,043                             |                     | 576  |
| Service Revenue Requirement         | 6,574,945                   | 6,573,825   | - 1,120             | 6,565,550                       | 8,276               | 6,401,246                          | - 164,304           | - 172,579  |
| Less: Revenue Offsets               | 301,588                     | 301,588   |                     | 301,588                         |                     | 301,588                            |                     |  |
| Gross Revenue Requirement for Rates | 6,273,356                   | 6,272,236   | - 1,120             | 6,263,962                       | - 8,276             | 6,099,657                          | - 164,304           | - 172,579  |

#### 3 **Evidence**:

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- Application:
  - EXHIBIT 1, page 20, Revenue Requirement;
- EXHIBIT 2, Rate Base in its entirety;
  - EXHIBIT 5, Cost of Capital and Capital Structure in its entirety;
- 8 <u>Interrogatory Responses:</u>
  - 3-Energy Probe-20, 5-Energy Probe-32 to 5-Energy Probe-36;
- 5.0-Staff-70;
- 5.0-VECC-35
- 12 <u>Clarifying Questions:</u>
  - Energy Probe 7.0 Ref: 5.0-Staff-70, Energy Probe 8. Ref: 5.0-Staff-70 & 5-Energy Probe-33
- 15 Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:
  - Appendix B
- 17 Supporting Parties: All

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#### 3. LOAD FORECAST, COST ALLOCATION AND RATE DESIGN

**3.1** Are the proposed load and customer forecast, loss factors, CDM adjustments and resulting billing determinants appropriate, and, to the extent applicable, are they an appropriate reflection of the energy and demand requirements of the applicant's customers?

Complete Settlement: The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the customer forecast, loss factors, CDM adjustments and the resulting billing determinants are appropriate and are an appropriate reflection of the energy and demand requirements of the Applicant's customers. The load forecast for the Embedded Distributor has been adjusted to account for gross billing. The load forecast of 139,279 kW formed the billing determinant for the Embedded Distributor. The 139,279 kW was derived from the sum of the actual 2015 demand supplied from the Niagara West MTS to NPEI plus the demand supplied to NPEI from embedded generation (ie. gross load) on the circuit supplying NPEI. This information has been supplied to Grimsby Power from NPEI. The following Table 6 sets out the agreed to load forecast for all of the rate classes except the Embedded Distributor rate class which has been adjusted as noted above.

#### Table 6 – 2016 Load Forecast

|                                 | Initial<br>Application | Interrogatories<br>& Clarifying<br>Questions | Difference | Settlement<br>Proposal | Difference |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|------------|------------------------|------------|
| Load Forecast By Class          | Α                      | В  | C=B-A      | D                      | E=D-B      |
| Residential                     |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Customers                       | 10,310                 | 10,402                                       | 92         | 10,402                 | -          |
| kWh                             | 92,563,942             | 95,033,193                                   | 2,469,251  | 95,033,193             | -          |
| General Service <50 kW          |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Customers                       | 751                    | 772  | 21         | 772                    | -          |
| kWh                             | 18,812,265             | 19,517,850                                   | 705,585    | 19,517,850             | -          |
| General Service >50 to 4,999 kW |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Customers                       | 107                    | 111  | 4          | 111                    | -          |
| kWh                             | 69,648,507             | 68,212,241                                   | -1,436,266 | 68,212,241             | -          |
| kW                              | 186,573                | 182,713                                      | - 3,861    | 182,713                | -          |
| Street Lighting                 |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Connections                     | 2,680                  | 2,653  | - 27       | 2,653                  | -          |
| kWh                             | 1,145,992              | 662,630                                      | - 483,362  | 662,630                | -          |
| kW                              | 3,429                  | 1,983  | - 1,446    | 1,983                  | -          |
| Unmetered Scattered Load        |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Connections                     | 74                     | 72   | - 2        | 72                     | -          |
| kWh                             | 373,349                | 366,642                                      | - 6,707    | 366,642                | -          |
| Embedded Distributor            |                        |  |            |                        |            |
| Customers                       | 1                      | 1  | -          | 1                      | -          |
| kW                              | 126,624                | 122,498                                      | - 4,126    | 139,279                | 16,781     |

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#### 4 Application:

- EXHIBIT 1, page 24 Load Forecast Summary;
- EXHIBIT 3, Operating Revenue in its entirety

#### 7 <u>Interrogatory Responses:</u>

- 8 3-Staff-31;
- 9 3-Staff-32

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| 1  | 3-Energy Probe-14  |
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| 2  | 3-Energy Probe-18  |
| 3  | • 3-VECC-23  |
| 4  | • 3-VECC-24  |
| 5  | Clarifying Questions:  |
| 6  | • None   |
| 7  | It was also agreed that Grimsby Power's LRAMVA Baseline calculation will be based on the |
| 8  | assumed full year savings from 2016 programs only.                                       |
| 9  | a) The following Table 7 breaks down the assumed full year 2016 savings by rate          |
| 10 | class. The expected kW savings has been provided for the GS >50 to 4,999 rate            |
| 11 | class using the average kW/kWh ratio from updated Table 3-20 in the Grimsby              |
| 12 | Power's response to 3-Energy Probe-17.   |

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#### Table 7 – 2016 LRAMVA Baseline Broken Down by Rate Class

| Year            | Residential | GS <50 kW | GS >50 to 4,999 kW | Total     |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| 2016 LRAMVA kWh | 1,122,360   | 374,120   | 374,120            | 1,870,600 |
| 2016 LRAMVA kW  |             |           | 1,002              | 1,002     |

#### Evidence:

- Application:
  - EXHIBIT 3, page 18 20
- 6 Interrogatory Responses:
  - 3-VECC-22, 3-VECC-23
- 8 Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:
- 9 None
- 10 Supporting Parties: All
  - **3.2** Are the proposed cost allocation methodology, allocations, and revenue-to-cost ratios appropriate?
    - **Complete Settlement:** The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power, subject to the adjustments identified below, that the cost allocation methodology, allocations and revenue-to-cost ratios are appropriate for all rate classes except changes to the Embedded Distributor rate class as outlined below.
      - a) Grimsby Power agrees to alter the cost allocation model so that 40% of the costs directly associated with Niagara West MTS are allocated to the Embedded Distributor by using the direct allocation method. The allocation of costs is based upon the capacity allocation for the Niagara West MTS. NPEI has been allocated 18MW of the 45 MW total allocated capacity. Grimsby Power agrees to remove the rate base components related to general plant indirect costs that were originally allocated to the Embedded Distributor class. This was accomplished by developing a new allocator to ensure that indirect general plant costs are not allocated to the Embedded Distributor class. The revenue to cost ratio for the Embedded Distributor class remains at 100%.
        - The following Table 8 sets out the results of the Cost Allocation model and Grimsby

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Power's proposed revenue to cost ratios. Both results are based on the revenue requirement with the current assumptions accepted by the Parties and it is acknowledged that Grimsby Power's revenue requirement may be subject to change based on the OEB's determination on the unsettled issues.

Table 8 – Proposed Revenue to Cost Ratios

|                             | Revenue to Cost<br>Ratios from 2016<br>Cost Allocation | Proposed<br>Revenue to Cost |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
|                             | Model  | Ratio                       |
| Residential                 | 112.22%  | 105.72%                     |
| GS <50 kW                   | 102.30%  | 102.30%                     |
| GS >50 to 4,999 kW          | 64.48%   | 80.00%                      |
| Street Lighting             | 108.21%  | 105.72%                     |
| Unmetered Scattered Load    | 45.59%   | 80.00%                      |
| <b>Embedded Distributor</b> | 86.62%   | 100.00%                     |

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#### **Evidence:**

#### Application:

- EXHIBIT 1, pages 38 42;
- EXHIBIT 7: Cost Allocation in its entirety

#### 11 <u>Interrogatory Responses:</u>

- 7-Energy Probe-43;
- 13 Clarifying Questions;
  - Question 7: Ref: 7-Energy Probe-43
- 15 Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:
  - None

#### Supporting Parties: All

- **3.3** Are the applicant's proposals, including the proposed fixed/variable splits, for rate design appropriate?
- 20 **Complete Settlement:** The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power, subject to the

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adjustment identified below, that Grimsby Power's proposal for rate design, including the proposed fixed/variable splits is appropriate. The rate design for residential class reflects the OEB's New Distribution Rate Design for Residential Electricity Customers (EB-2014-0210).

The following Table 9 sets out Grimsby Power's proposed fixed/variable rates subject to OEB determination on OM&A and PILS.

- a) Grimsby Power agrees to a fixed/variable revenue proportion of 50% fixed and 50% variable for the Embedded Distributor class. As noted above the Embedded Distributor forecast is based upon the gross load on the circuits from the Niagara West MTS serving NPEI. The variable portion of this revenue is highly influenced by embedded generation and therefore the following policy will provide Grimsby Power with sufficient certainty of revenue.
  - The monthly billing demand for the variable rate is defined as the highest Non-Coincident peak demand (kW) which occurs in any hour of the month. The monthly billing demand will be the highest demand that occurs in any hour in the month from the sum of (a) the demand supplied from the Niagara West MTS to the customer plus (b) the demand that is supplied to the customer from embedded generation which have installed capacity of 2MW or more for renewable generation and 1MW or higher for non-renewable generation. The term renewable generation refers to a facility that generates electricity from the following sources: wind, solar, biomass, bio-oil, bio-gas, landfill gas, or water.
  - ii) The revenue generated from this variable rate in any calendar year will be trued up such that:
    - If the sum of the billed demand for each month is less than the threshold of 117,500kW per year the difference between the threshold (117,500kW) and the actual demand billed (lower than 117,500kW) will be multiplied by the current variable rate and owed by the Embedded Distributor to Grimsby Power (a true-up). This provides Grimsby Power assurance its revenue from the Embedded Distributor class will meet or exceed approximately 84% of forecast gross demand (139,279) for the class. The 16% difference allows for reductions in demand within the Embedded Distributors customer base (supplied from Niagara West MTS) related to CDM programs, loss of

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- customer load, impacts of generation below the 1MW and 2MW capacities noted in (i) above, and potential transfers of load by NPEI to other facilities.
- This true up, if necessary, will begin based on demands starting on January 1, 2017. The value of the true-up will be calculated in the first quarter of each year from 2018 to 2021 which covers the rate rebasing period except 2016.
- b) Grimsby Power agrees to set the monthly fixed charge for GS>50kW rates class as the minimum system with PLCC adjustment as reported in the cost allocation model for this class.

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Table 9 - Proposed 2016 Distribution Rates

| Customer Class          | Connection | Customer  | kW     | kWh    |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|
| Residential             |            | 22.90     |        | 0.0115 |
| GS < 50 kW              |            | 27.53     |        | 0.0230 |
| GS >50 to 4999 kW       |            | 219.98    | 3.4477 |        |
| Street Lighting         | 2.81       |           | 6.9991 |        |
| Unmetered and Scattered | 48.00      |           |        | 0.0303 |
| Embedded Distributor    |            | 16,219.13 | 1.3974 |        |

3 Evidence:

#### Application:

- EXHIBIT 1, page 40-41
- EXHIBIT 8, pages 3 5, Fixed/Variable Proportion;
- 7 Interrogatory Responses:
  - 8-Staff-448-VECC-54
- 9 8-SEC-28
- 10 <u>Clarifying Questions:</u>
  - Question 7. Ref: 7-Energy Probe-43
- 12 Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:
- 13 None
  - Supporting Parties: All
- 3.4 Are the proposed Retail Transmission Service Rates and Low Voltage service rates appropriate?
  - **Complete Settlement:** Subject to the notations below, the Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the proposed forecast of other regulated rates and charges including the proposed Retail Transmission Service Rates and Low Voltage service rates is appropriate.
    - a) With respect to the Embedded Distributor rate class there is an issue related to the timing of the Retail Transmission Service Rates. Currently NPEI is the market participant for Retail Transmission Service Rates for this rate class. Under this rate

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newly created Embedded Distributor rate class pending the completion of certain It is the expectation that, through the IESO Market Participant processes, the market participant designation for Retail Transmission Service Rates will be transferred from NPEI to Grimsby Power. It is also expected that market participant processes applicable to wholesale metering at the Niagara West MTS will also be transferred from Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. to Grimsby Power. At the date of transfer, and upon notification to the OEB, Grimsby Power will begin to apply the Retail Transmission Service Rates to the Embedded Distributor rate class. Grimsby Power's draft rate order will be structured such that these Retail Transmission Service Rates are included in the tariff sheets with a provision that a transfer of market participant (as described above) must take place prior to their application. Grimsby Power also agrees to work expeditiously with Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. to create a "Connection Agreement" between the parties as contemplated by the Distribution System Code Section 6.3.2. Transmission Service Rates for the Embedded Distributor are based upon the proportion of NPEI station peak. The Retail Transmission Service Rates are set out in Table 10 below:

application Grimsby Power would apply Retail Transmission Service Rates to the

Table 10 – Retail Transmission Service Rates

|   | RTSR-N  | etwork | RTSR-Connection |        |  |  |
|---|---------|--------|-----------------|--------|--|--|
| Rate Class  | Per kWh | Per kW | Per kWh         | Per kW |  |  |
| Residential                                       | 0.0057  |        | 0.0033          |        |  |  |
| General Service Less Than 50 kW                   | 0.0053  |        | 0.0029          |        |  |  |
| General Service 50 to 4,999 kW                    |         | 2.0981 |                 | 1.1784 |  |  |
| General Service 50 to 4,999 kW – Interval Metered |         | 2.1250 |                 | 1.2420 |  |  |
| Unmetered Scattered Load                          | 0.0053  |        | 0.0029          |        |  |  |
| Street Lighting                                   |         | 1.5824 |                 | 0.9109 |  |  |
| Embedded Distributor                              |         | 2.8107 |                 | 0.5033 |  |  |

#### Evidence:

#### Application:

- EXHIBIT 8, page 7 8, Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- EXHIBIT 8, pages 9 10, Low Voltage Service Rates.
- Appendix 8-B Retail Transmission Service Rate Work Form

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| 1 | Interrogatory Responses:                               |
|---|--|
| 2 | • 8-Staff-45   |
| 3 | • 8-VECC-55  |
| 4 | • 8-NPEI-7   |
| 5 | <ul><li>Grimsby_IRR_RTSR MODEL_V4_0_20160506</li></ul> |
| 6 | Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:                |
| 7 | <ul> <li>None</li> </ul>                               |
| 8 | Supporting Parties: All                                |

#### 4. ACCOUNTING

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- 4.1 Have all impacts of any changes in accounting standards, policies, estimates and adjustments been properly identified and recorded, and is the rate- making treatment of each of these impacts appropriate?
- Complete Settlement: The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that any changes in accounting standards, policies, estimates and adjustments have been properly identified and recorded, and that the rate-making treatment of each of these impacts is appropriate.

#### Evidence:

#### Application:

- EXHIBIT 1, page 83 89, Audited Financial Statements and Reconciliation to Regulatory Accounting;
- EXHIBIT 1, page 90 to 91, Accounting Orders and Standards;
- EXHIBIT 1, pages 100 to 101, Previous OEB Directives from OEB

  Decisions:
  - Appendix 1-G through 1-I, 2012 2014 Audited Financial Statements;

#### <u>Interrogatory Responses:</u>

• 1-Staff-8

#### Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:

None

#### Supporting Parties: All

- Are the applicant's proposals for deferral and variance accounts, including the balances in the existing accounts and their disposition, and the continuation of existing accounts, appropriate?
- 25 **Complete Settlement:** The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that the 26 proposed deferral and variance accounts, including the balances in the existing 27 accounts and their disposition, and the continuation of existing accounts, are appropriate.

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| 1  | The continuation of existing accounts, excluding 1532 Renewable Generation and 1508     |
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| 2  | Other Regulatory Assets deferred IFRS Transition Costs, is also accepted. Accounts 1532 |
| 3  | Renewable Generation and 1508 Other Regulatory Assets Deferred IFRS Transition costs    |
| 4  | will be cleared and discontinued. The Parties also agree to the establishment of a new  |
| 5  | deferral account for the costs associated with the Asset Condition Assessment and have  |
| 6  | requested that the Board issue an Accounting Order in this regard, a draft of which     |
| 7  | accompanies this Settlement Proposal as Appendix F.                                     |
| 8  | The Parties agree that in terms of the LRAMVA the future baseline will be split by rate |
| 9  | class. See 3.1a.  |
| 10 | Evidence:   |
| 11 | Application:  |
| 12 | EXHIBIT 9: Deferral and Variance Accounts in its entirety                               |
| 13 | ATTACHMENT 1-9. EDDVAR Model V2.6   |
| 14 | Interrogatory Responses:  |
| 15 | • 4.0-VECC-40 through 4.0-VECC-45   |
| 16 | • 9-Energy Probe-46;  |
| 17 | • 9-Staff-75 to 9-Staff-77  |
| 18 | Clarifying Questions:   |
| 19 | • None  |
| 20 | Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:   |
| 21 | • None  |
| 22 | Supporting Parties: All   |

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| 1      | 5   | OTHER   |
|--------|-----|---|
| 2      | 5.1 | Are rate mitigation proposals required for any rate classes?  |
| 3<br>4 |     | <b>Complete Settlement:</b> The Parties accept the evidence of Grimsby Power that rate mitigation is not required for any rate classes. |
| 5      |     | Evidence:   |
| 6      |     | Application:  |
| 7      |     | • EXHIBIT 1, pages 42 & 43;   |
| 8      |     | EXHIBIT 8, page 14, Rate Mitigation;  |
| 9      |     | Interrogatory Responses:  |
| 10     |     | • 8-VECC-57   |
| 11     |     | • 8-NPEI-8 (e)  |
| 12     |     | Appendices to this Settlement Proposal:   |
| 13     |     | • None  |
| 14     |     | Supporting Parties: All   |

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#### APPENDIX A: REVISED 2016 FIXED ASSET CONTINUITY SCHEDULE

#### Appendix 2-BA

#### Fixed Asset Continuity Schedule 1

Accounting Standard Year 2016

|          |              |  |                            | Cos                    | st             |                            | ιl              |                            | Accumulated D                           |           |                            |                        |
|----------|--------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---|-----------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| CCA      | OEB          |  | Opening                    |                        |                | Closing                    | ıſ              | Opening                    |   |           | Closing                    |                        |
| Class 2  | Account 3    | Description 3  | Balance                    | Additions 4            | Disposals      | Balance                    | ıΙ              | Balance                    | Additions                               | Disposals | Balance                    | Net Book Value         |
| 12       | 1611         | Computer Software (Formally known as<br>Account 1925)            | \$ 774,616                 | \$ 177,000             |                | \$ 951,616                 |                 | \$ (524,256)               | \$ (123,870)                            |           | \$ (648,126)               | \$ 303,490             |
| CEC      | 1612         | Land Rights (Formally known as Account<br>1906)                  | s -                        |                        |                | s -                        | iĪ              | s -                        |   |           | s -                        | s -                    |
| N/A      | 1805         | Land   | \$ 149,992                 |                        |                | \$ 149,992                 | rt              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ 149,992             |
| 47       | 1808         | Buildings  | \$ 1,256,185               |                        |                | \$ 1,256,185               |                 | \$ (296,721)               | \$ (25,124)                             |           | \$ (321,845)               | \$ 934,340             |
| 13       | 1810         | Leasehold Improvements   | S -                        |                        |                | S -                        | ίľ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1815         | Transformer Station Equipment >50 kV                             | \$ 7,492,068               | \$ 45,000              |                | \$ 7,537,068               | ίĪ              | \$ (1,920,760)             | \$ (217,663)                            |           | \$ (2,138,422)             | \$ 5,398,646           |
| 47       | 1820         | Distribution Station Equipment <50 kV                            | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ίŒ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1825         | Storage Battery Equipment  | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ιl              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1830         | Poles, Towers & Fixtures   | \$ 4,218,716               | \$ 23,196              |                | \$ 4,241,911               | ιl              | \$ (519,320)               | \$ (115,198)                            |           | \$ (634,519)               |                        |
| 47       | 1835         | Overhead Conductors & Devices                                    | \$ 3,137,348               | \$ 173,701             |                | \$ 3,311,049               | ı l             | \$ (206,052)               | \$ (56,122)                             |           | \$ (262,174)               |                        |
| 47       | 1840         | Underground Conduit  | \$ 2,402,274               | \$ 190,845             |                | \$ 2,593,119               | ı l             | \$ (268,886)               | \$ (62,509)                             |           | \$ (331,395)               | \$ 2,261,724           |
| 47       | 1845         | Underground Conductors & Devices                                 | \$ 2,039,261               | \$ 144,669             |                | \$ 2,183,930               |                 | \$ (257,544)               | \$ (75,363)                             |           | \$ (332,907)               |                        |
| 47       | 1850         | Line Transformers  | \$ 4,475,724               | \$ 354,435             |                | \$ 4,830,159               |                 | \$ (545,972)               | \$ (140,199)                            |           | \$ (686,171)               |                        |
| 47<br>47 | 1855         | Services (Overhead)  | \$ 221,574                 | \$ 7,297               |                | \$ 228,872                 |                 | \$ (14,037)                | \$ (3,899)                              |           | \$ (17,936)                |                        |
| 47       | 1855<br>1860 | Services (Underground)   | \$ 1,468,765               | \$ 291,542             |                | \$ 1,760,307               |                 | \$ (125,983)               | \$ (46,324)                             |           | \$ (172,307)               |                        |
| 47       | 1860         | Meters (Smart Meters)  | \$ 1,796,134<br>\$ 279,825 | \$ 79,817<br>\$ 48,420 |                | \$ 1,875,951<br>\$ 328,245 |                 |                            | \$ (123,783)<br>\$ (13,739)             |           | \$ (621,999)               |                        |
| 47       | 1860         | Meters >50<br>Meters CT's & PT's                                 | \$ 279,825<br>\$ 173,012   | \$ 48,420              |                | \$ 328,245<br>\$ 174,123   |                 | \$ (48,501)<br>\$ (13,991) | \$ (13,739)<br>\$ (5,198)               |           | \$ (62,240)<br>\$ (19,189) |                        |
| N/A      | 1905         | Land   | \$ 173,012                 | \$ 1,110               |                | \$ 174,123                 |                 | \$ (13,991)                | \$ (5,196)                              |           | \$ (19,169)                | \$ 111,556             |
| 47       | 1905         | Buildings & Fixtures (50 years)                                  | \$ 311,426                 |                        |                | \$ 311,426                 |                 | \$ (62,285)                | \$ (12,457)                             |           |                            | \$ 236,684             |
| 47       | 1908         | Buildings & Fixtures (30 years)  Buildings & Fixtures (40 years) | \$ 55,127                  |                        |                | \$ 55,127                  |                 | \$ (7,350)                 | \$ (2,049)                              |           | \$ (9,399)                 |                        |
| 47       | 1908         | Buildings & Fixtures (40 years)                                  | \$ 230,777                 | \$ 132,400             |                | \$ 363,177                 |                 | \$ (38,612)                | \$ (11,882)                             |           | \$ (50,494)                |                        |
| 13       | 1910         | Leasehold Improvements   | \$ -                       | ψ 10 <u>2,100</u>      |                | \$ -                       |                 | \$ -                       | \$ (11,00Z)                             |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 8        | 1915         | Office Furniture & Equipment (10 years)                          | \$ 128,285                 | \$ 9,000               |                | \$ 137,285                 |                 | \$ (39,386)                | \$ (14,487)                             |           | \$ (53,873)                | \$ 83,412              |
| 8        | 1915         | Office Furniture & Equipment (5 years)                           | \$ -                       | .,                     |                | S -                        | rt              | \$ -                       | (, )                                    |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 10       | 1920         | Computer Equipment - Hardware                                    | \$ 153,123                 | \$ 37,000              |                | \$ 190,123                 | ſħ              | \$ (105,214)               | \$ (28,716)                             |           | \$ (133,929)               | \$ 56,194              |
| 45       | 1920         | Computer EquipHardware(Post Mar.<br>22/04)                       | s -                        | •                      |                | s -                        | ĺ               | s -                        | , |           | s -                        | s -                    |
| 45.1     | 1920         | Computer EquipHardware(Post Mar.<br>19/07)                       | s -                        |                        |                | s -                        | ĺ               | s -                        |   |           | s -                        | s -                    |
| 10       | 1930         | Transportation Equipment (8 years)                               | \$ 21,466                  |                        |                | \$ 21,466                  | r H             | \$ (18,833)                | \$ (449)                                |           | \$ (19,282)                | \$ 2,185               |
| 10       | 1930         | Transportation Equipment (12 years)                              | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | r H             | \$ -                       | ψ (443)                                 |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 10       | 1930         | Transportation Equipment (15 years)                              | \$ 344,950                 | \$ 356,000             |                | \$ 700,950                 | rt              | \$ (83,694)                | \$ (35,391)                             |           | \$ (119,085)               | \$ 581,864             |
| 8        | 1935         | Stores Equipment   | \$ -                       | *                      |                | S -                        |                 | \$ -                       | 4 (00,00.7                              |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 8        | 1940         | Tools, Shop & Garage Equipment                                   | \$ 199,687                 |                        |                | \$ 199,687                 |                 | \$ (51,419)                | \$ (20,199)                             |           | \$ (71,618)                | \$ 128,069             |
| 8        | 1945         | Measurement & Testing Equipment                                  | \$ 37,485                  |                        |                | \$ 37,485                  | ίĪ              | \$ (22,576)                | \$ (4,442)                              |           | \$ (27,019)                | \$ 10,466              |
| 8        | 1950         | Power Operated Equipment   | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ίĪ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 8        | 1955         | Communications Equipment   | \$ 70,080                  |                        |                | \$ 70,080                  | ίŒ              | \$ (19,015)                | \$ (7,008)                              |           | \$ (26,023)                | \$ 44,057              |
| 8        | 1955         | Communication Equipment (Smart Meters)                           | s -                        |                        |                | s -                        | ĺ               | \$ -                       |   |           | s -                        | \$ -                   |
| 8        | 1960         | Miscellaneous Equipment  | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ίĪ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
|          | 1970         | Load Management Controls Customer                                |                            |                        |                |                            | ίĪ              |                            |   |           |                            |                        |
| 47       |              | Premises   | \$ 16,439                  |                        |                | \$ 16,439                  |                 | \$ (2,182)                 | \$ (1,644)                              |           | \$ (3,826)                 | \$ 12,613              |
| 47       | 1975         | Load Management Controls Utility Premises                        | \$ -                       |                        |                | s -                        | П               | \$ -                       |   |           | s -                        | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1980         | System Supervisor Equipment                                      | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ίľ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1985         | Miscellaneous Fixed Assets                                       | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       |                 | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1990         | Other Tangible Property  | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ιĪ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 1995         | Contributions & Grants   | \$ -                       |                        |                | \$ -                       | ιĪ              | \$ -                       |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
| 47       | 2440         | Deferred Revenue <sup>5</sup>                                    | \$ (3,788,064)             | \$ (561,251)           |                | \$ (4,349,315)             | ŀŀ              | \$ 202,154                 | \$ 113,396                              |           | \$ 315,550<br>\$ -         | \$ (4,033,765)<br>\$ - |
|          |              | Sub-Total  | \$ 27,777,831              | \$ 1,510,180           | s -            | \$ 29,288,011              | П               | \$ (5,488,649)             | \$ (1.034,320)                          | s -       |                            | \$ 22,765,042          |
|          |              | Less Socialized Renewable Energy                                 | , ,,,,,,,,,,               | , ,,                   |                | ,,                         | π               | . (.,,)                    | . , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |           | . (.,,==,=,=,              | . , , , , , , , , , ,  |
|          |              | Generation Investments (input as negative)                       |                            |                        |                | s -                        |                 |                            |   |           | s -                        | s -                    |
|          |              | Less Other Non Rate-Regulated Utility                            |                            |                        |                |                            | ίħ              |                            |   |           |                            |                        |
|          |              | Assets (input as negative)                                       |                            |                        |                | \$ -                       | П               |                            |   |           | \$ -                       | \$ -                   |
|          |              | Total PP&E   | \$ 27,777,831              | \$ 1,510,180           | \$ -           | \$ 29,288,011              | ₫               | \$ (5,488,649)             | \$ (1,034,320)                          | \$ -      | \$ (6,522,970)             | \$ 22,765,042          |
|          |              | Depreciation Expense adj. from gain or lo                        | ss on the retirem          | ent of assets (r       | ool of like as | sets), if applicab         | le <sup>6</sup> |                            |   |           |                            |                        |
|          |              | Total  |                            |                        |                | ,, ,, ,, ,,                | _               |                            | \$ (1,034,320)                          |           |                            |                        |
|          |              |  |                            |                        |                |                            | _               |                            |   |           |                            |                        |

| 10 | Transportation   |
|----|------------------|
| 8  | Stores Equipment |

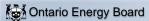
Less: Fully Allocated Depreciation
Transportation \$ (35,840)

Net Depreciation

\$ (998,481)

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APPENDIX B: REVENUE REQUIREMENT WORK FORM



## Revenue Requirement Workform (RRWF) for 2016 Filers

#### Tracking Form

The last row shown is the most current estimate of the cost of service data reflecting the original application and any updates provided by the applicant distributor (for updated evidence, responses to interrogatories, undertakings, etc.)
Please ensure a Reference (Column B) and/or Item Description (Column C) is entered. Please note that unused rows will automatically be hidden and the PRINT AREA set when the PRINT BUTTON on Sheet 1 is activated.

(1) Short reference to evidence material (interrogatory response, undertaking, exhibit number, Board Decision, Code, Guideline, Report of the Board, etc.)

60 Tracking Rows have been provided below. If you require more, please contact Industry Relations @ IndustryRelations@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

#### Summary of Proposed Changes

|   |                            |   |     | Cost of                           | Capital |  | Rate Base     | e and           | d Capital Exp | end                               | itures    |                                | Ope       | eratir     | ng Expense | es   |           | Revenue R                         |           |                   | equ     | irement                     |           |     |           |
|---|----------------------------|---|-----|-----------------------------------|---------|--|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|
|   | Reference (1)              | Item / Description <sup>(2)</sup>   |     | Regulated<br>Return on<br>Capital |         | Regulated Rate Base<br>Rate of<br>Return |               | Working Capital |               | Working Capital<br>Allowance (\$) |           | Amortization /<br>Depreciation |           | Taxes/PILs |            | OM&A |           | Service<br>Revenue<br>Requirement |           | Other<br>Revenues |         | Base Revenue<br>Requirement |           |     |           |
|   |                            | Original Application  | \$  | 1,544,665                         | 6       | .19%                                     | \$ 24,959,518 | \$              | 27,782,522    | \$                                | 2,083,689 | \$                             | 1,000,584 | \$         | 69,211     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,574,945 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,273,356 | \$  | 1,872,051 |
|   |                            | Update 2015 Bridge Year Estimates to 2015 Actuals including<br>Actual Purchases for Load Forecast       | \$  | 1,521,961                         | 6       | .16%                                     | \$ 24,707,585 | \$              | 27,758,164    |                                   | _,,       | \$                             | 1,001,258 | \$         | 88,111     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,571,815 | ľ                 | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,270,227 |     | 1,825,866 |
|   |                            | Change  | -\$ | 22,704                            | -0      | .03%                                     | \$ 251,933    | -\$             | 24,358        | -\$                               | 1,827     | \$                             | 674       | \$         | 18,900     | \$   | 0         | -\$                               | 3,130     | -\$               | 0       | -\$                         | 3,129     | -\$ | 46,185    |
| 2 |                            | Update cost of power & working capital calculation based on 2016 UTR's and May 1/2016 Commodity Charges | \$  | 1,520,931                         | 6       | .16%                                     | \$ 24,691,872 | \$              | 27,535,322    | ľ                                 | 2,065,149 | \$                             | 1,001,258 | \$         | 87,890     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,570,564 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,268,976 | \$  | 1,824,986 |
|   |                            | Change  | -\$ | 1,030                             | 0       | .00%                                     | \$ 15,713     | -\$             | 222,842       | -\$                               | 16,713    | \$                             | -         | -\$        | 221        | \$   | -         | -\$                               | 1,251     | \$                | -       | -\$                         | 1,251     | -\$ | 880       |
| 3 |                            | Remove 2014 persistance from 2015 & 2016, change 2015 & 2016 CDM savings to match CDM Plan              | \$  | 1,523,615                         | 6       | .16%                                     | \$ 24,734,446 | \$              | 28,116,313    | \$                                | 2,108,723 | \$                             | 1,001,258 | \$         | 88,467     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,573,826 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,272,238 | \$  | 1,822,499 |
|   |                            | Change  | \$  | 2,684                             | 0       | .00%                                     | \$ 42,574     | \$              | 580,991       | \$                                | 43,574    | \$                             | -         | \$         | 577        | \$   | -         | \$                                | 3,262     | \$                | -       | \$                          | 3,262     | -\$ | 2,487     |
| 4 | 4-VECC40-4-VECC-45         | Updated LRAMVA  | \$  | 1,523,615                         |         | .16%                                     | \$ 24,734,446 | \$              | 28,116,313    | \$                                | 2,108,723 | \$                             | 1,001,258 | \$         | 88,467     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,573,826 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,272,238 | \$  | 1,822,499 |
|   |                            | Change  | \$  | -                                 | 0       | .00%                                     | \$ -          | \$              | -             | \$                                | -         | \$                             | -         | \$         | -          | \$   | -         | \$                                | -         | \$                | -       | \$                          | -         | \$  | -         |
| 5 | Settlement Proposal 1.1    | Reduce Fixed Assets by \$200,000  | \$  | 1,517,541                         |         | .16%                                     |               |                 | 28,116,313    | \$                                | 2,108,723 | \$                             |           | \$         |            | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,565,550 |                   | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,263,962 |     |           |
|   |                            | Change  | -\$ | 6,074                             | 0       | .00%                                     | \$ 98,611     | \$              | -             | \$                                | -         | -\$                            | 2,777     | \$         | 576        | \$   | -         | -\$                               | 8,276     | \$                | -       | -\$                         | 8,276     | -\$ | 8,276     |
| 6 | Settlement Proposal 2.1 d) | Cost of Capital Change  | \$  | 1,353,237                         | 5       | .49%                                     | \$ 24,635,835 | \$              | 28,116,313    | \$                                | 2,108,723 | \$                             | 998,481   | \$         | 89,043     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,401,246 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,099,658 | \$  | 1,649,919 |
|   |                            | Change  | -\$ | 164,304                           | -0      | .67%                                     | \$ -          | \$              | -             | \$                                | -         | \$                             | -         | \$         | -          | \$   | -         | -\$                               | 164,304   | \$                | -       | -\$                         | 164,304   | -\$ | 164,304   |
| 7 | Settlement Proposal 3.1    | Change in Load Forecast Embedded Distributor  | \$  | 1,353,237                         |         | 0  | \$ 24,635,835 | \$              | 28,116,313    | \$                                | 2,108,723 | \$                             | 998,481   | \$         | 89,043     | \$   | 3,925,363 | \$                                | 6,401,246 | \$                | 301,588 | \$                          | 6,099,658 | \$  | 1,620,216 |
|   |                            | Change  | \$  | -                                 | 0       | .00%                                     | \$ -          | \$              | -             | \$                                | -         | \$                             | -         | \$         | -          | \$   | -         | \$                                | -         | \$                | -       | \$                          | -         | -\$ | 29,703    |

<sup>(2)</sup> Short description of change, issue, etc.

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**APPENDIX C: APPENDIX 2-P COST ALLOCATION** 

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## Appendix 2-P Cost Allocation

Please complete the following four tables.

#### A) Allocated Costs

| Classes                        | <br>ts Allocated<br>m Previous<br>Study | %       | i  | osts Allocated<br>in Test Year<br>Study<br>(Column 7A) | %       |
|--------------------------------|---|---------|----|--|---------|
| Residential                    | \$<br>3,100,569                         | 67.65%  | \$ | 3,956,661  | 61.81%  |
| GS < 50 kW                     | \$<br>544,637                           | 11.88%  | \$ | 695,681  | 10.87%  |
| GS > 50 to 4,999 kW            | \$<br>730,000                           | 15.93%  | \$ | 1,168,690  | 18.26%  |
| Street Lighting                | \$<br>176,913                           | 3.86%   | \$ | 106,679  | 1.67%   |
| Unmetered Scattered Load (USL) | \$<br>31,324                            | 0.68%   | \$ | 73,067   | 1.14%   |
| Embedded Distributor Class     |   | 0.00%   | \$ | 400,469  | 6.26%   |
| Total                          | \$<br>4,583,443                         | 100.00% | \$ | 6,401,246  | 100.00% |

#### Notes:

- 1 Customer Classification If proposed rate classes differ from those in place in the previous Cost Allocation study, modify the rate classes to match the current application as closely as possible.
- 2 Host Distributors Provide information on embedded distributor(s) as a separate class, if applicable. If embedded distributor(s) are billed as customers in a General Service class, include the allocated costs and revenues of the embedded distributor(s) in the applicable class. Also complete Appendix 2-Q.
- 3 Class Revenue Requirements If using the Board-issued model, in column 7A enter the results from Worksheet O-1, Revenue Requirement (row 40 in the 2013 model). This excludes costs in deferral and variance accounts. Note to Embedded Distributor(s), it also does not include Account 4750 Low Voltage (LV) Costs.

#### B) Calculated Class Revenues

|                                  | ,  |           | Column 7C<br>L.F. X current<br>approved rates X<br>(1 + d) |           | Column 7D           |    | Column 7E                |
|----------------------------------|----|-----------|--|-----------|---------------------|----|--------------------------|
| Classes (same as previous table) |    |           |  |           | LF X proposed rates | N  | Miscellaneous<br>Revenue |
| Residential                      | \$ | 3,108,390 | \$   | 4,232,697 | \$<br>3,975,291     | \$ | 207,617                  |
| GS < 50 kW                       | \$ | 502,755   | \$   | 684,601   | \$<br>684,601       | \$ | 27,084                   |
| GS > 50 to 4,999 kW              | \$ | 523,315   | \$   | 712,598   | \$<br>893,955       | \$ | 40,997                   |
| Street Lighting                  | \$ | 78,316    | \$   | 106,642   | \$<br>103,980       | \$ | 8,799                    |
| Unmetered Scattered Load (USL)   | \$ | 20,142    | \$   | 27,427    | \$<br>52,571        | \$ | 5,883                    |
| Embedded Distributor Class       | \$ | 246,524   | \$   | 335,692   | \$<br>389,259       | \$ | 11,209                   |
| Total                            | \$ | 4,479,441 | \$   | 6,099,657 | \$<br>6,099,657     | \$ | 301,588                  |

#### Notes:

- 1 Columns 7B to 7D LF means Load Forecast of Annual Billing Quantities (i.e. customers or connections X 12, (kWh or kW, as applicable). Revenue Quantities should be net of Transformer Ownership Allowance. Exclude revenue from rate adders and rate riders.
- 2 Columns 7C and 7D Column total in each column should equal the Base Revenue Requirement
- 3 Columns 7C The Board cost allocation model calculates "1+d" in worksheet O-1, cell C21. "d" is defined as Revenue Deficiency/Revenue at Current Rates.
- 4 Columns 7E If using the Board-issued Cost Allocation model, enter Miscellaneous Revenue as it appears in Worksheet O-1, row 19.

#### C) Rebalancing Revenue-to-Cost (R/C) Ratios

| Class                          | Previously Approved Ratios Most Recent Year: 2012 | Status Quo<br>Ratios<br>(7C + 7E) / (7A) | Proposed Ratios<br>(7D + 7E) / (7A) | - Policy Range |
|--------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                | %   | %  | %                                   | %              |
| Residential                    | 108.40  | 112.22                                   | 105.72                              | 85 - 115       |
| GS < 50 kW                     | 96.30   | 102.30                                   | 102.30                              | 80 - 120       |
| GS > 50 to 4,999 kW            | 80.30   | 64.48                                    | 80.00                               | 80 - 120       |
| GS > xxx kW, if applicable     |   |  |                                     | 80 - 120       |
| Large User, if applicable      |   |  |                                     | 85 - 115       |
| Street Lighting                | 49.40   | 108.21                                   | 105.72                              | 80 - 120       |
| Sentinel Lighting              |   |  |                                     | 80 - 120       |
| Unmetered Scattered Load (USL) | 80.00   | 45.59                                    | 80.00                               | 80 - 120       |
| Embedded Distributor Class     |   | 86.62                                    | 100.00                              |                |
|                                |   |  |                                     |                |

#### Notes:

- 1 Previously Approved Revenue-to-Cost Ratios For most applicants, Most Recent Year would be the third year of the IRM 3 period, e.g. if the applicant rebased in 2009 with further adjustments over 2 years, the Most recent year is 2011. For applicants whose most recent rebasing year is 2006, the applicant should enter the ratios from their Informational Filing.
- 2 Status Quo Ratios The Board's updated Cost Allocation Model yields the Status Quo Ratios in Worksheet O-1. Status Quo means "Before Rebalancing".

#### D) Proposed Revenue-to-Cost Ratios

| Class                          | Propos | Delieu Benge |        |              |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|
|                                | 2016   | 2017         | 2018   | Policy Range |
|                                | %      | %            | %      | %            |
| Residential                    | 105.72 | 105.72       | 105.72 | 85 - 115     |
| GS < 50 kW                     | 102.30 | 102.30       | 102.30 | 80 - 120     |
| GS > 50 to 4,999 kW            | 80.00  | 80.00        | 80.00  | 80 - 120     |
| GS > xxx kW, if applicable     |        |              |        | 80 - 120     |
| Large User, if applicable      |        |              |        | 85 - 115     |
| Street Lighting                | 105.72 | 105.72       | 105.72 | 80 - 120     |
| Sentinel Lighting              |        |              |        | 80 - 120     |
| Unmetered Scattered Load (USL) | 80.00  | 80.00        | 80.00  | 80 - 120     |
| Embedded Distributor Class     | 100.00 | 100.00       | 100.00 | 0            |
|                                |        |              |        | 0            |
| 0                              | -      | -            | -      | IIIIIII      |

#### Note:

1 The applicant should complete Table D if it is applying for approval of a revenue to cost ratio in 2014 that is outside the Board's policy range for any customer class. Table (d) will show the information that the distributor would likely enter in the IRM model) in 2016. In 2017 Table (d), enter the planned ratios for the classes that will be 'Change' and 'No Change' in 2016 (in the current Revenue Cost Ratio Adjustment Workform, Worksheet C1.1 'Decision – Cost Revenue Adjustment', column d), and enter TBD for class(es) that will be entered as 'Rebalance'.

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APPENDIX D: APPENDIX 2-PA RES RATE DESIGN

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## Appendix 2-PA New Rate Design Policy For Residential Customers

Please complete the following tables.

#### A) Data Inputs

| Test Year Billing Determinants  | for Res | idential Class |
|---|---------|----------------|
| Customers   |         | 10,402         |
| kWh   |         | 95,033,193     |
|   |         |                |
| Proposed Residential Class Specific<br>Revenue Requirement <sup>1</sup> | \$      | 3,975,291.02   |

| Residential Base Rates on Current Tariff |        |  |
|--|--------|--|
| Monthly Fixed Charge (\$)                | 15.69  |  |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate (\$/kWh)    | 0.0121 |  |

#### B) Current Fixed/Variable Split

|          | Base Rates | Billing Determinants | Revenue            | % of Total Revenue |
|----------|------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fixed    | 15.69      | 10,402               | \$<br>1,958,488.56 | 63.01%             |
| Variable | 0.0121     | 95,033,193           | \$<br>1,149,901.63 | 36.99%             |
| TOTAL    | -          | -                    | \$<br>3,108,390.19 | =                  |

#### C) Calculating Test Year Base Rates

| Number of Required Rate Design       | 4 |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Policy Transition Years <sup>2</sup> | 4 |

|          | Test Year Revenue @<br>Current F/V Split | Test Year Base Rates<br>@ Current F/V Split | Reconciliation - Test<br>Year Base Rates @<br>Current F/V Split |  |
|----------|--|---|---|--|
| Fixed    | \$ 2,504,692.62                          | 20.07                                       | \$ 2,505,217.68   |  |
| Variable | \$ 1,470,598.40                          | 0.0155                                      | \$ 1,473,014.49   |  |
| TOTAL    | \$ 3,975,291.02                          | -   | \$ 3,978,232.17   |  |

|          | New F/V Split | Revenue @ new F/V Split | Final Adjusted<br>Base Rates | Reconciliation @<br>Adjusted Rates |
|----------|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Fixed    | 72.25%        | \$ 2,872,342.22         | 23.01                        | \$ 2,872,200.24                    |
| Variable | 27.75%        | \$ 1,102,948.80         | 0.0116                       | \$ 1,102,385.04                    |
| TOTAL    | -             | \$ 3,975,291.02         | -                            | \$ 3,974,585.28                    |

| Checks <sup>3</sup>                                   |     |        |  |  |
|---|-----|--------|--|--|
| Change in Fixed Rate                                  | \$  | 2.94   |  |  |
| Difference Between Revenues @                         | -\$ | 705.74 |  |  |
| Proposed Rates and Class Specific Revenue Requirement |     | -0.02% |  |  |

#### Notes:

- 1 The final residential class specific revenue requirement, as shown in Appendix 2-P, should be used (i.e. the revenue requirement after any proposed adjustments to R/C ratios).
- 2 Default number of transition years for rate design policy change is 4. Where the change in the residential rate design will result in the fixed charge increasing by more than \$4/year, a distributor may propose an additional transition year.
- 3 Change in fixed rate due to rate design policy should be less than \$4. The difference between the proposed class revenue requirement and the revenue at calculated base rates should be minimal (i.e. should be reasonably considered as a rounding error)

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#### **APPENDIX E: APPENDIX 2-V REV RECONCILIATION**

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## Appendix 2-V Revenue Reconciliation

| Rate Class  | Customers/<br>Connections  | Number of Customers/Connections                    |  |  | Test Year Consumption |                  | Proposed Rates               |           |                        |                                       | Class Specific          | Transformer         |   |   |
|---|--|--|--|--|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
|   |  | Start of Test<br>Year                              | End of Test<br>Year                                | Average  | kWh                   | kW               | Monthly<br>Service<br>Charge | Volu      | metric                 | Revenues at<br>Proposed Rates         | Revenue<br>Requirement  | Allowance<br>Credit | Total   | Difference                              |
| GS < 50 kW<br>GS > 50 to 4,999 kW<br>Streetlighting | Customers<br>Customers<br>Customers<br>Connections<br>Connections<br>Customers | 10,267.00<br>767.00<br>111.00<br>2,631.00<br>70.00 | 10,537.00<br>777.00<br>111.00<br>2,675.00<br>74.00 | 10,402.00<br>772.00<br>1111.00<br>2,653.00<br>72.00<br>-<br>1.00<br>-<br>- |                       | 182,713<br>1,983 |                              | \$ 0.0303 | \$ 3.4477<br>\$ 7.0351 | \$ 103,979.57<br>\$ 52,579.43<br>\$ - | \$ 103,980<br>\$ 52,571 | \$ 28,999           | \$ 3,975,291<br>\$ 684,601<br>\$ 922,954<br>\$ 103,980<br>\$ 52,571<br>\$ -<br>\$ 389,259<br>\$ -<br>\$ -<br>\$ - | \$ 171<br>\$ 2<br>\$ 0<br>-\$ 9<br>\$ - |
| Total   |  |  |  |  |                       |                  |                              |           |                        | \$ 6,127,785.68                       | \$ 6,099,657            | \$ 28,999           | \$ 6,128,657  | \$ 871                                  |

#### Note

- 1 The class specific revenue requirements in column N must be the amounts used in the final rate design process. The total of column N should equate to the proposed base revenue requirement.
- 2 Rates should be entered with the number of decimal places that will show on the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

<u>Please see below for a Draft Accounting Order – Asset Condition Assessment, to reflect this</u>

Settlement Proposal.

ACCOUNTING ORDER REQUESTED – 1508 OTHER REGULATORY ASSET – ASSET

CONDITION ASSESSMENT

<u>Grimsby Power Inc requests a new variance account 1508 Other Regulatory Asset – Asset</u>

Condition Assessment to record the costs associated with a third party Asset Condition

Assessment as agreed to in the Partial Settlement Proposal.

In the absence of a general variance account for this purpose, the Parties to the Partial

Settlement Proposal in the matter of Grimsby Power Inc.'s application for approval of electricity

distribution rates and charges for 2016 (EB-2015-0072) request that the Board approve an

Accounting Order for Grimsby Power Inc. as part of this partial settlement, and that such an

Accounting Order include the following:

1) The costs incurred related to the agreed upon third party Asset Condition Assessment.

Accounting Entry:

Debit - Account 1508, Other Regulatory Asset - Asset Condition Assessment

Credit - Account 2205, Accounts Payable

2) The balance in the variance account is to be disposed of at Grimsby Power Inc's next

Cost of Service Filing; and

3) Carrying charges, at the Board's Prescribed Interest Rate for Deferral and Variance

Accounts, would be applied until final disposition.

#### **LIVE EXCEL MODELS**

The following live excel models have been filed together with and form an integral part of this settlement proposal:

- Grimsby\_SettlementP\_2016\_Load\_Forecast\_2016\_COP\_Forecast\_20160624
- Grimsby\_SettlementP\_2016\_Rev\_Reqt\_Work\_Form\_V6\_20160624
- Grimsby\_SettlementP\_Detailed\_CA\_Model\_Run3\_20160624
- Grimsby\_SettlementP\_Test\_year\_Income\_Tax\_PILs\_Workform\_DRAFT\_20160624