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BY E-MAIL

August 18, 2016

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Motion by the Carriers to Review and Vary Decision EB-2013-0416/EB-2014-0247 as it relates to the Specific Charge for Cable and Telecom Companies Access to the Power Poles charged by Hydro One Networks Inc. OEB File Number: EB-2015-0141

As directed by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) in its August 4, 2016 Decision and Order, Hydro One filed its draft accounting order on August 11, 2016.

Intervenors and OEB staff were provided the opportunity to comment on the draft accounting order by August 18, 2016.

OEB staff reviewed the draft accounting order as filed and has made some suggested changes, providing a revised version as shown below:

1. Account 1508 Other Regulatory Assets. Sub-account Revenue Differences - Interim pole attachment charge vs approved pole attachment charge Variance Account

Hydro One shall establish this new variance account effective January 1, 2015 to record the difference between revenues based on the interim pole attachment charge of \$22.35 billed by Hydro One to pole attachment customers and revenues based on the approved rate of \$41.28 in the OEB decision EB-2015-0141. The accounting entries to be recorded with respect to this account are as follows:

USofA #	Account Description
Dr: 1508	Other Regulatory Assets, Sub account Revenue differences
	 interim pole attachment charge vs approved pole
	attachment charge
Cr: 4210	Rent from Electric Property

To record the revenue difference between the interim pole attachment rate and the final pole attachment rate approved by OEB.

It is expected that no differences would be recorded in this account after Hydro One begins billing pole attachment customers at the final approved rate of \$41.28 per pole per year.

This account will accrue carrying charges based on the OEB prescribed interest rates.

The account balance shall be proposed for OEB's review and disposition at Hydro One's next rebasing. The balance in this account will be allocated to, and recovered from, pole attachment customers.

2. <u>Account 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Revenue Offset</u> <u>difference related to Pole attachment forecast approved in rates vs</u> <u>approved pole attachment charge, Variance Account</u>

Hydro One shall establish this new variance account effective January 1, 2015 to record the differences in the revenue offsets related to forecast pole attachment revenues included in rates in EB-2013-0416/EB-2015-0079 and revenue offsets based on the pole attachment rate approved by the OEB in EB-2015-0141.

OEB had approved distribution rate revenues based on a pole attachment rate of \$37.05 per pole per year. The final approved rate is \$41.28 per pole per year.

Accounting entries shall be made in this Account until the next rebasing of rates.

This account will accrue carrying charges based on the OEB prescribed interest rates.

The account balance shall be proposed for OEB's review and disposition at Hydro One's next rebasing.

The accounting entries to be recorded with respect to this account are as follows:

USofA #Account DescriptionDr: 4080Distribution RevenuesCr: 1508Other Regulatory Assets, Sub account Revenue offset
difference related to Pole attachment forecast approved in
rates vs. amount based on approved pole attachment charge

To record the difference in revenue between pole attachment charge included in rates and the final approved pole attachment rate approved by OEB.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Harold Thiessen OEB staff Case Manager – EB-2015-0141