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**BY E-MAIL** 

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## To: All registered parties in EB-2016-0025

Re: Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc., Horizon Utilities Corporation, and PowerStream Inc. (the applicants) Application for approval to amalgamate to form LDC Co. and for LDC Co. to purchase and amalgamate with Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. OEB File Number EB-2016-0025

The OEB is in receipt of Mr. Sidlofsky's letter of September 12, 2016, requesting certain treatment of the draft Strategic Plan of LDC Co. As noted by the Panel on day two of the oral hearing held on September 9, 2016, the Strategic Plan must be filed by the applicants in its entirety. The OEB acknowledges that sections of the Strategic Plan have not been shared with the shareholders and/or also pertain to information on LDC Co.'s unregulated business. However, the OEB expects the applicants to redact those sections that they believe do not relate to the regulated entity. The Panel made this clear in its instructions set out on pages 165 and 166 of the transcript:

Mr. QUESNELLE: ...But within the shareholder agreement, and referenced in it -- and we had discussion this morning on the strategic plan -- I was just looking back at the transcript, and I understand the caveats that you are attaching to it and why it wasn't filed. I understand -- well, you provided your reasons as to why, and it's in draft form and it hasn't even been before the shareholder, but nevertheless, the Panel would like to have it filed.

With respect to the request that the Strategic Plan be filed confidentially for the purpose of any examination on the document when the oral hearing reconvenes on September 15, 2016, the Panel again dealt with this request on day two of the oral hearing and stated the following on pages 166 and 167:

MR. BASILIO: May we file it confidentially?

MR. QUESNELLE: Well, I think that, to the extent that there's elements in it that may not pertain to the regulated, but I think in the spirit of the same as the shareholder agreement, I think there's been an agreement on what elements of that will remain in confidence, and the rest will be made public.

Any further consideration of this document will be made on Thursday, September 15, 2016, but to be clear, it is the direction of the Panel that the draft Strategic Plan be filed on the public record with the exception of any redactions to be made for matters that do not pertain to the regulated entity. Accordingly, the Panel does not expect to go *in camera* for consideration of the Strategic Plan.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary