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BY E-MAIL

October 18, 2016

Philip Wormwell Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. 8 Henegan Road, P.O. Box 460 Virgil ON LOS 1T0 pwormwell@notlhydro.com

Dear Mr. Wormwell:

Re: Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.

Application for Rates

OEB File Number EB-2016-0095

The OEB received Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.'s 2017 Price Cap IR Index application on October 5, 2016. The OEB has assigned file number EB-2016-0095 to the application. A member of the OEB's staff, to whom authority has been delegated under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, intends to make a decision on the application without holding a hearing.

Your application is available on the <u>2017 EDR webpage</u> of the OEB's website. You are directed to make a copy of the application available in a prominent place on your company's website within 3 business days.

OEB staff may have questions regarding the application and will be in contact with you directly by email, in writing, by telephone, or through one or more teleconferences. OEB staff has scheduled a teleconference for November 10, 2016, in the event that a teleconference is required. Please ensure that appropriate members of your staff are available at that time, or inform the OEB Staff member named below if this date is unworkable.

If any additional information is received from you in response to OEB staff questions, OEB staff will update the applicable models as necessary. All changes to the models will be documented and provided to you no later than November 17, 2016. OEB staff will also outline any additional information that you need to provide.

If you have any comments regarding the updated models, please provide them to OEB staff, along with any additional information requested by OEB staff, by no later than December 1, 2016.

Following these steps, the delegated staff will provide you with a draft of the decision that they proposes to make. You may comment on the draft decision within 14 days. Where possible, a draft Rate Order and all applicable models will be enclosed for comment. In some circumstances you may be required to file a separate draft Rate Order. The delegated staff will consider your comments and issue a final decision and rate order.

Please note that the timely processing of the application depends on the receipt of information within the specified timelines. Any questions relating to this letter or the process for your application should be directed to Anna King, Analyst at 416-440-8108 or anna.king@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Lynne Anderson Vice President, Applications

cc: Tim Curtis (Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.) tcurtis@notlhydro.com