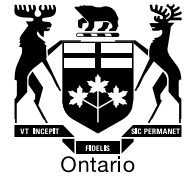


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November 18, 2016

Robert Kent  
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Dear Mr. Kent:

**Re: St. Thomas Energy Inc.  
Application for Rates  
OEB File Number EB-2016-0104**

As outlined in the case management letter issued on September 7, 2016, the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) Vice President, Applications has been delegated authority under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to make a decision on the 2017 Price Cap IR application filed by St. Thomas Energy Inc. on August 15, 2016. All relevant information and updates to the application have now been provided. Any further changes to the models will be documented and provided to you for review.

Attached to this letter is a draft of the decision the delegated authority proposes to make based on the application and any subsequent updates or clarifications. Please review the decision and provide any comments. Please also review the accompanying draft Rate Order for accuracy and completeness. Any comments are to be provided no later than December 2, 2016.

The Vice President, Applications will consider your comments, if any, provided they have been received by the deadline, and issue a final decision and rate order in due course.

You will notice that this draft decision does not reflect any rate changes to regulatory charges for 2017. If the OEB orders a change to regulatory charges before the issuance of this final decision, your case manager will update the model and decision accordingly. Any further changes to the models will be documented and provided to you for review before the decision is finalized.

Any questions relating to this letter or your application should be directed to Kelli Benincasa, Analyst at 416-440-7624 or [Kelli.Benincasa@ontarioenergyboard.ca](mailto:Kelli.Benincasa@ontarioenergyboard.ca).

Yours truly,

*Original signed by*

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