



January 8, 2018

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge St., Suite 2700  
Toronto, ON, M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Application for 2019 Distribution Rates**

On December 7, 2017, the Ontario Energy Board (the “OEB”) issued a letter identifying those electricity distributors that are scheduled to file a cost of service application for 2019 rates. In its letter, the OEB advised that those distributors that wish to request deferral of rebasing beyond the 2019 rate year must advise the OEB no later than March 1, 2018. In accordance with the OEB’s letter, Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. hereby requests approval to defer its 2019 cost of service application.

Oakville Hydro’s request to defer its 2019 cost of service application is based on its financial and non-financial performance as reported in its 2016 performance scorecard. Since its last rebasing in 2014, Oakville Hydro has consistently achieved a regulatory rate of return on equity that is within 300 basis points of its deemed rate of return on equity of 9.36%. Oakville Hydro has also continued to provide a high level of reliability to its customers.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

*Original signed by*

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