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Ontario Energy Board
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Attention: Board Secretary (boardsec@oeb.ca)

RE: Review of Miscellaneous Rates and Charges (EB-2015-0304) Draft Review of the Board – Framework for Determining Wireline Pole Attachment Charges

Moosonee Cable is responding to the Ontario Energy Board's call for submissions on its Draft Report – Framework for Determining Wireline Pole Attachment Charges issued December 18, 2017.


Moosonee Cable is an independent Aboriginal Cable Company that provides cable and Internet services in the remote northern community of Moosonee Ontario. In reviewing the OEB Draft Report, the most obvious concern for Moosonee Cable is the impact this increase will have on our company's ability to operate sustainably. Similarly, such an increase will impact our proposed fiber to the home project.

We are a small cable system in a limited remote market area that faces on going challenges of delivering services at an affordable cost to our subscribers. This pole attachment increase would have to be passed on to our customer, adding additional cost for them who are combatting with the high costs of living in a remote area. Currently we are attached to 256 full and 26 service poles in our area with our current count of 287 subscribers which equals one pole per sub.

As urban centers have greater opportunity for additional subscribers due to new growth and expansion, rural or remote communities do not have the same growth rate if not any at all. Our concern also is with the process in how this framework was conducted

with no input from the small operators and also that there was no local consultation on this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Jolly', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Michael Jolly
Director of I.T.