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Dear Jane:

**Re: Veridian Connections Inc., 2018 Electricity Distribution Rate Application  
Board File No.: EB-2017-0078 – Comments on Draft Decision and Rate Order**

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Veridian Connection Inc. ("Veridian") has reviewed the draft decision and rate order for EB-2017-0078 issued March 5, 2018 by the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board").

In the draft decision Section 7, the Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts under Findings on page 8 states, 'However, the OEB notes that this is the second time the OEB has expressed a concern regarding Veridian Connections' accounting processes'.

Veridian is concerned that this wording would lead the reader to believe that Veridian Connections does not comply with the Board accounting requirements and guidance regarding Group 1 Deferral and Variance accounts. Veridian believes that it is in compliance and that its accounting processes meet all code requirements. Veridian has reviewed the Board Accounting Procedures Handbook and the Board issued accounting FAQs and can find no reference to a suggestion or requirement for a reconciliation of accrued unbilled estimates at year end to actuals billed amounts. Veridian continues to refine its processes regarding the extremely complicated accounting of regulatory deferral and variance accounts and continues to implement any and all accounting guidance issued by the Board.

Veridian has reviewed the draft rate order and believes it to be accurate and complete.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information. I can be reached at 905-427-9870, extension 2239 or by email at [tstrong@veridian.on.ca](mailto:tstrong@veridian.on.ca).

Yours truly,

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