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**VIA EMAIL**

March 28, 2018

Dennis Nolan  
Corporate Secretary and Executive Vice President  
Alectra Utilities  
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Dear Mr. Nolan:

**Re: Alectra Utilities Regulated Price Plan Pilot – Continuation of the Overnight Program (Board File No. EB-2016-0201)**

As initially indicated in Alectra's January Pilot Program Monitoring Report, and through subsequent communication with OEB staff, Alectra will not meet the original 1000 customer target for the Overnight program prior to the April 1, 2018 start date. The foundation of the Overnight program is a 4-period price plan which features a very low commodity price between 12a.m. and 6 a.m.

The OEB has already granted Alectra two extensions to delay the start of the Overnight program in order to support more recruitment into the program. Despite increased efforts, Alectra was unable to reach its original target. As of March 23, 2018 Alectra has recruited 487 customers to the Overnight program. This sample size will not support robust conclusions under the current experimental design, which, like Alectra's other pilots, includes both price and communications features.

The OEB has determined that the Overnight program should be simplified in order to take advantage of the recruitment achieved while preserving the likelihood of obtaining robust results. Accordingly, the OEB has determined that Alectra should remove the communications element from the Overnight program. Alectra and its technical partner BEworks have reported that the current enrolment of 487 customers provides a sufficient sample to support conclusions about the impact of the Overnight program with reasonable confidence.

The OEB notes that impacts of communications, which are a priority of the RPP pilot program generally, will still be included in the other portions of the Alectra pilot as well as in the RPP pilots conducted by other participants.

The OEB requests that Alectra submit a revised version of its EM&V plan in order to reflect the revised change in scope of the Overnight program.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

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Chief Operating Officer & General Counsel  
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