



October 29, 2018

**Ontario Energy Board
Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
2300 Yonge Street
27th Floor, P.O. Box 2319
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4**

**Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.
2019 Incentive Rate Mechanism Adjustment Application
Ontario Energy Board File Number EB-2018-0065**

Dear Ms. Walli,

In the IRM application filed October 15, 2018, Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("RSL") requested the creation of a new Deferral and Variance Account to track lost revenues associated with Collection of Account Charges.

On March 22, 2018, the OEB issued a Decision and Order for File Number EB-2017-0029 for Burlington Hydro Inc., in which the utility had requested the same type of Deferral and Variance Account. In its decision, the OEB noted that "The OEB is currently reviewing non-payment of account service charges, including the Collection of Account charge, as part of its customer service rules review for electricity and gas. As such, the OEB will likely deal with this charge on a sector-wide basis."

As the OEB has expressed the likelihood of dealing with this issue as part of the customer service rules review, RSL has decided to withdraw the request for the Deferral and Variance Account from its application.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Soules', is written over a horizontal line.

RIDEAU ST. LAWRENCE DISTRIBUTION INC.

Peter Soules, CPA, CMA
Chief Financial Officer