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Dear Applicant:

**Re: Application under sections 78, 81, 86(1)(c) and 86(2)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for the relief necessary to effect North Bay (Espanola) Acquisition Inc.'s purchase and consolidation of Espanola Regional Hydro Holdings Corporation and Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation and other related approvals.
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2019-0015 and EB-2019-0085**

This is further to the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) acknowledgment letter dated January 18, 2019 in the application by North Bay (Espanola) Acquisition Inc. (NBEAI) for approval to purchase Espanola Regional Hydro Holdings Corporation (ERHHC) and Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation (ERHDC), amalgamate NBEAI, ERHHC and ERHDC and of a proposed rate framework (MAADs Application).

North Bay (Espanola) Acquisition Inc. has also submitted a Notice of Proposal under section 81 of the Ontario Energy Board Act (Act) in relation to NBEAI interest in a qualifying generation facility and its acquisition ERHDC.

The OEB has determined that it will process the Notice of Proposal separately from the MAADs Application. The Notice of Proposal will be processed in parallel with the MAADs Application and in keeping the OEB's process with respect to such requests. The OEB has assigned file no. **EB-2019-0085** to the Notice of Proposal and requires that NBEAI re-file the Notice of Proposal under this new file number. Please direct any questions in relation to this matter to Irina Kuznetsova, Advisor - Licensing & Performance Reporting at 416-440-8138 or e-mail, Irina.Kuznetsova@oeb.ca.

Except for the Notice of Proposal, the MAADs Application will continue to be processed under the file no. **EB-2019-0015**. Please continue to direct any questions relating to EB-2019-0015 to Andrew Pietrewicz, Project Advisor at 416-440-7642 or e-mail, Andrew.Pietrewicz@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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