

March 27, 2019

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Energy Retailer Service Charges for May 1, 2019 (EB-2015-0304) – Opt-Out from Letter of Switch Charge

In its February 14, 2019 Decision and Order establishing Energy Retailer Service Charges effective May 1, 2019, the OEB approved a new "Notice of switch letter charge" of \$2.00 for hard copy letters that are sent by standard mail. The Decision also provided for distributors to opt-out of applying this charge if the costs of doing so outweigh the benefits, by notifying the OEB within 60 days.

A review of 2018 records revealed that a combined total of 22 such letters were sent by Canadian Niagara Power Inc. ("CNPI) and Algoma Power Inc. ("API") in 2018, which would have resulted in \$44 of additional other revenue had the charge been in place.

CNPI and API have therefore concluded that the costs of implementing the new charge would outweigh the benefits and will opt-out of applying this charge.

Regards,

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