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Ms. Christine Long
Registrar and Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319, 2300 Yonge St., 27th Floor
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Re: Application for 2021 Electricity Distribution Rates

Dear Ms. Long,

On November 13, 2019, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a letter identifying those electricity distributors that are scheduled to file a Cost of Service Application for 2021 rates. Orillia Power Distribution Corporation (Orillia Power) is currently included on the OEB's 2021 rebasing list for rates effective May 1, 2021. As noted in footnote 3 of the November 13th letter, Orillia Power is party to an ongoing MAAD proceeding which will significantly impact the need for and or the timing of rebasing.

Orillia Power and Hydro One Networks Inc. filed their final reply submissions January 24, 2020. A decision by the OEB on this matter would reasonably be expected to be issued sometime within the first quarter of 2020. Only subsequent to a decision having been made would Orillia Power be in a position to know if a rebasing application was in fact required and, if it were required, the timing of when such an application could reasonably be submitted.

Accordingly, Orillia Power requests that the matter of the filing of a Cost of Service Rate Application be deferred until such time as a decision on the MAADs application can better inform the process.

Respectfully submitted,

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President & CEO







