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Ms. Christine Long  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street  
P.O. Box 2319  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long,

**Re: EB-2019-0045 – Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. – 2020 Distribution Rate Application – Initial Implementation Guidance to Incentive Rate-setting Decisions for May 1, 2020 Rates for Postponing Distributors**

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On Thursday April 16, the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) issued a letter to all May 1 filers offering the option of postponing rate implementation to November 1, 2020 and tracking the foregone revenue in the COVID-19 account 1509.

On Friday April 17, the OEB issued further guidance clarifying that if May 1 filers choose to defer their rate increases to November 1, 2020, the amounts would be treated similarly to amounts tracked in a foregone revenue rate rider.

Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. wishes to defer its rate increase to November 1, 2020.

We are supportive of this approach, given the current situation and the clarification provided in the April 17 follow-up guidance that all foregone revenue will be recovered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank D'Andrea".

Frank D'Andrea