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Monday, August 31, 2020

**Board Secretary** Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge St Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Christine Long, Board Secretary

RE: EB 2020-0043

Dear Ms. Long

North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited (NBHDL) is scheduled to file a Cost of Service application of August 31, 2020 for rates effective May 1, 2021. Although NBHDL still intends to submit an application for May 1, 2021 rates, it unfortunately will not be able to meet the August 31 deadline.

The worldwide pandemic has put considerable pressure on organizations throughout the province. NBHDL has had to deal with numerous challenges over these past few months with respect to resource allocation and planning. As a result, resources that would normally be focused on a project the size of a Cost of Service application have been focused elsewhere.

It is our plan to continue to work towards the application for 2021 rates, and we intend to submit on or before November 30, 2020.

Regards,

Matt Payne, President and CEO

Original Signed by Matt Payne

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