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Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge St
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Attention: Christine Long, Registrar

RE: EB 2020-0043

Dear Ms. Long

North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited (NBDHL) previously filed a letter dated August 31, 2020 requesting to delay the filing of its 2021 Cost of Service rate application (EB-2020-0043) to November 30, 2020. The OEB granted this request by letter dated September 3, 2020.

The worldwide pandemic has put considerable pressure on organizations throughout the province, including NBHDL. In addition, NBHDL has had to continue 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 continued to have to split their focus between the application and maintaining a safe and reliable distribution system in these unprecedented times.

Unfortunately, the date that was set out in the August 31, 2020 letter for filing the Cost of Service rate application was overly optimistic in the circumstances. We are writing to inform you that as we work through the final stages and challenges of this endeavor, it is our intention to now submit our Cost of Service application on or before December 31, 2020.

Regards,

Matt Payne, President and Chief Executive Officer