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**BY EMAIL**

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Dear Mr. Kasubeck:

**Re: Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation – Request for an  
Extension to the Filing of its Cost of Service Application for 2021 Rates  
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2020-0020**

This letter is in response to your request dated December 15, 2020 for an extension to the date for the filing of Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's (ERHDC) 2021 Cost of Service application. ERHDC made a similar request on August 31, 2020 to extend the filing of its application to December 18, 2020. In this current request, ERHDC is requesting a further extension from December 18, 2020 to December 31, 2020 due to ongoing difficulties posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) grants ERHDC's request.

The effective date for rates will be determined by the OEB as part of the rate application proceeding. While the OEB will take into consideration the impact of COVID-19, a filing of December 31, 2020 may result in an effective date later than May 1, 2021. ERHDC may propose an alternative effective date in the application for consideration of the OEB.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar