**Ottawa River Power Corporation (Ottawa River Power)**

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**Staff Question-1**

**Ref 1: Rate Generator Model Tab 11 RTSR – UTRs & Sub-Tx, Tab 12 RTSR – Historical Wholesale**

In Tab 11 of the IRM model, Ottawa River Power entered Sub-transmission rates information in rows 44 to 56 under the name of “Brookfield”. In Tab 12, Ottawa River Power also entered historical billing data for “Brookfield”. Rows 44 to 56 in Tab 11 are for distributor to add its additional host-distributor (other than Hydro One Networks) sub-transmission rates information for 2019 to 2021.

Please explain the sub-transmission relationship between Ottawa River Power and Brookfield (i.e. why Brookfield’s RTSR rates and billing data should be applied in Tab 11 and Tab 12 for Ottawa River Power’s RTSR annual adjustments). Please provide the relevant supporting evidence for the Brookfield’s RTSR rates for 2019 to 2021 entered in Tab 11.

**Staff Question-2**

**Ref 1: Rate Generator Model Tab 3 Continuity Schedule – Projected Interest for January to April 2021 (column BR)**

In column BR of the continuity schedule, Ottawa River Power applied an interest rate or 2.18% for the projected interest for January to April 2021. According to the [“Prescribed interest rates”](https://www.oeb.ca/industry/rules-codes-and-requirements/prescribed-interest-rates) webpage, the prescribed interest rate for Q1 2021 is 0.57%. Please confirm whether or not the interest rated used in column BR should be updated to 0.57%, if so, please update the model.

**Staff Question-3**

**Ref 1: Volumetric Unit for Sentinel Lighting Class**

**Ref 2: Rate Generator Model Tab 4, Tab 20**

It’s noted that Ottawa River Power applied the consumption unit “kWh” as the volumetric unit for Sentinel Lighting Class in Tab 4 and Tab 20 of the Rate Generator Model. Therefore, the DVA (2021) rate rider is calculated and will be billed to customers in this class on dollar per consumption ($/kWh) basis. OEB staff noted that Ottawa River Power’s DVA (2019) rate rider in the Sentinel Lighting class approved in EB-2018-0063 was on demand basis (i.e. $/kW).

Please confirm the correct volumetric unit that should be applied to the Sentinel Lighting class for the DVA rate rider and update the model if needed.

**Staff Question-4**

**Ref 1: Rate Generator Model Tab 20**

In Tab 20 Bill Impacts of the Rate Generator Model, please enter the required billing determinants for the fixed charge for the three unmetered classes. (Related instructions can be found in Note 2 in this Tab, if needed.)

