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BY E-MAIL

August 5, 2008

Jim Hogan Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. 320 Queen Street P. O. Box 70 Chatham, ON N7M 5K2

Letter of Direction

Dear Mr. Hogan:

Re: Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. and Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation Smart Meter Cost Recovery Rate Application Board File Number EB-2008-0155

The Ontario Energy Board has issued its Notice of Application and Written Hearing ("Notice") relating to your application for the recovery of smart meter costs, and copies of the English and French Notices are attached.

You are directed:

- 1) To arrange immediately for the attached English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Ontario Energy Board", to be published in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in the service area of each of Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. and Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation. Publication must be effected within fourteen days of the date of this letter. If publication within this period is not possible, you must so notify in writing the Board.
- 2) To arrange immediately for the attached French version of the Notice headed with the Ontario Government logo and the words "Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario", to be published in one issue of the French language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in the service area of Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. Publication must

be complete within fourteen days of the receipt of this letter. If publication within this period is not possible, you must so notify in writing the Board.

(**Note:** Please make it clear that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.)

- 3) If either Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. or Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation is a host distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on any embedded distributor(s).
- 4) To serve a copy of the Notice directly on each party of record in the combined smart meter proceeding (proceeding EB-2007-0063).
- To file with the Board an affidavit proving the above publication and service of the Notice immediately upon completion, with the Notice and original post office registration receipts or courier confirmation lists attached as appendices. It is not necessary for the affidavits of publication to have newspaper tear sheets attached.
- To immediately make a copy of the application, the pre-filed evidence and any additional materials as they are developed, available for public review at Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc.'s and Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation's offices and on their respective websites.
- 7) To immediately provide a copy of the application, the pre-filed evidence and any additional materials as they are developed, to any person who requests a copy.

(**Note:** Until otherwise directed by the Board, the application that is required to be made available or provided under paragraphs 6 and 7 is the redacted non-confidential version of the application filed with the Board.)

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Keith Ritchie at (416) 440-8124, or by e-mail at Keith.Ritchie@oeb.gov.on.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

Attachments: Notice of Application and Written Hearing in English and French