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Ontario Energy Board Attention: Christine Long, Board Secretary 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor, P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

> Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. 2022 Cost of Service Rate Application Ontario Energy Board File Number EB-2021-0056 Response to the Error Checking Review

Dear Ms. Long,

On January 13, 2022, OEB Staff sent a list of questions concerning the Cost of Service Rate Application filed by Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("RSL") on December 1, 2021. The questions and associated responses are below.

1. The "System O&M" row is not completed in the Chapter 2 Excel file, Tab "App.2-AB Capital Expenditures".

Response: At the time of filing the rate application, RSL realized that this information had not been included in the Tab. Unfortunately, due to a problem with the Excel file, we were unable to save the changes. Instead, RSL filed a separate Excel file with only this Tab.

During work on the responses to these questions, we discovered that the file could now be updated and saved. We populated the System O&M line in the Tab.

2. In the Chapter 2 Excel file, the subtotal rows and Total row in Tab "App.2-AA_Capital Projects" does not match the information in Tab "App.2-AB_Capital Expenditures". Correspondingly, Exhibit 2, Table 2.21 does not match Table 39 and 40 in the DSP.

Response: We have made corrections to Tab "App.2-AA_Capital Projects", and the amounts match the Total Expenditure (gross) in the Tab "App.2-AB_Capital Expenditures. The Tabs tie in with Tables 39 and 40 in the DSP.

3. In the Distribution System Plan, page 13, sentence "Table 4 showcases a summary of the key system performance indicators for the past five years" may be referencing Table 5.

Response: The reference in the DSP has been changed to Table 5.

4. In the Distribution System Plan the phrase "Error! Reference source not found", appears in place of correct reference on pages 31, 43, and b7.

Response: The three pages have been corrected.

5. The wireline pole attachment charge for 2021 was set at \$34.76 per attacher, per year, per pole, in EB-2021-0302 Decision and Order, Wireline Pole Attachment Charge, dated December 16, 2021. This decision may be found on web page 2022 electricity distribution rate applications | Ontario Energy Board (oeb.ca).

Response: RSL is unable to change the charge in the Tariff Schedule and Bill Impact Model as the cell is protected.

6. The "Inflation factor*" (column E) of Tab 3 was updated to 3.3% by EB-2021-0301 Decision and Order, In the matter of the inflationary adjustment effective January 1, 2022 for energy retailer service charges for electricity distributors, dated November 25, 2021.
This decision may be found on web page 2022 electricity distribution rate applications | Ontario Energy Board (oeb.ca).

Response: RSL has updated Tab 3 of the Tariff Schedule and Bill Impact Model with the inflation rate of 3.3%.

RSL is filing the following through RESS:

Updated Chapter 2 Appendices Updated Tariff Schedule and Bill Impact Model Updated Exhibit 2 Updated DSP This Letter

Yours truly,

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