



CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.

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RE: CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC., APPLICATION FOR 2009 ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATES, BOARD FILE NO. EB-2008-0222, EB-2008-0223

Dear Ms. Walli:

Please accept this letter as Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s ("CNPI") reply to a request from the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") dated May 27, 2009, requesting an extension for submission in the above captioned proceedings.

CNPI is not opposed to the Board granting the extension requested by VECC. CNPI anticipates that it will be able to maintain the existing schedule of June 11, 2009, for its reply argument.

However, CNPI does not accept VECC's position that such an extension is warranted, in part, by the ongoing matters related to the CNPI - Port Colborne application, EB-2008-0224. Following the oral hearing held on April 20, April 21 and April 23, the parties agreed to proceed with argument in the matter of the Fort Erie and Eastern Ontario Power applications. An oral hearing would be convened following submission of further material related to the Port Colborne application. Procedural Order No. 7 speaks to this matter and establishes the schedule.

Yours truly,

Douglas R. Bradbury
Director - Regulatory Affairs

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