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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Espanola Regional Hydro Corporation EB-2007-0901

Please find enclosed a copy of the Interrogatories of the School Energy Coalition in respect of the above-captioned matter. An electronic copy has already been sent to the parties.

Yours very truly,

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c.c. Ms. Noreen Clement, Espanola Hydro Regional Hydro Distribution (email only)





IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board Act 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity commencing May 1, 2008.

INTERROGATORIES OF THE SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION

1. 2006 Fixed Assets

Ref a: Ex 2/pg11 Ref b: Ex 2/pg3

In Ref a, ERHDC's 2006 gross assets average balance is shown as \$3,410,575. In Re b, ERHDC's 2006 gross assets average balance is shown as \$4,241,628.

Discrepancies also exist for 2006 accumulated depreciation and NBV.

Please confirm the correct 2006 average balances.

2. Capital Budget

Ref a: Ex 2/pg24, 25 Ref b: Ex 3/pg6

Per Ref b, the number of Residential and GS<50 customers in ERHDC's service territory has been decreasing since 2004.

Per Ref a, ERHDC has provided capital budget for new services installation to meet customer demand in both 2006 & 2007, in the amount of \$23,295 and \$47,635 respectively. The amount accounts for roughly one-third of ERHDC's total capital budget in that year.

Please explain.

3. Deferral and Variance Accounts

Ref: Ex 5/pg4

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ERHDC has proposed to dispose of the December 31, 2006 deferral and variance accounts balance of \$264,860 plus the residual balance of Account #1590 – Recovery of Regulatory Assets of (\$31,700) as of April 30, 2008 over a two-year period.

It appears that ERHDC has not chosen to dispose of the carrying costs in the amount of \$17,059 (excluding Account # 1590).

Please explain.