**Hydro Ottawa Limited**

**EB-2023-0032**

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**Staff Question-1**

**Ref 1: 2024 Application page 65, (Exhibit 2, Tab 3, Schedule 1)**

**Ref 2: EB-2022-0042, Decision and Rate Order**

Question(s):

OEB staff notes that the historical working capital allowance in Table 2 at reference 1 has not been updated in accordance with reference 2. Please update the approved working capital allowance for the historical 2021-2023 years.

**Staff Question-2**

**Ref 1: 2024 Application, Exhibit 4, Tab 4, Schedule 2**

Preamble:

Hydro Ottawa stated that it is not seeking clearance of its Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) as part of its 2024 Application. This will be done in a future rate application.

Question(s):

1. Can Hydro Ottawa confirm what the outstanding amounts related to LRAMVA are?
2. Can Hydro Ottawa explain why it isn’t seeking to recover these amounts and when it expects to seek approval of any outstanding balance?

**Staff Question-3**

**Ref 1: 2024 Application Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Page 3**

Question(s):

OEB staff notes that Hydro Ottawa uses OEB prescribed interest rates up to Q3 2023 according to Reference 1. OEB has published the prescribed interest rates for Q4 2023. Please update the applicable schedules.

**Staff Question-4**

**Ref 1: 2024 Application, Attachment 9-3-1 (A) OEB Workform Deferral and Variance Account (Continuity Schedule) \_20230817**

Preamble:

In Reference 1, Account 1580 RSVA – Wholesale Market Service charge shows a total claim debit balance of $14.07 million compared to the approved debit balance of $4.3 million from last year’s application.

Question(s):

1. Please explain the substantial increase and drivers for the increase in the account balance sought for disposition of in the current application.
2. Please explain at a high level what types of transactions are captured in 2022 in Account 1580.
3. Please confirm that the 2022 principal transactions of $13.19 million do not include current-period and prior-period adjustments. If not confirmed, please provide the details of these adjustments.