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Ms. Kirsten Walfi Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: PowerStream Inc. 2009 Cost of Service Electricity Distribution Rates Board File No. EB-2008-0244 Intervenor: Smart Sub-Metering Working Group

Pursuant to Procedural Order No. 2, we enclose two hard copies of the Interrogatories of the Smart Sub-metering Working Group. An electronic version in pdf searchable Adobe Acrobat format is being forwarded via email contemporaneously with this letter.

Yours very truly,

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Smart Sub-metering Working Group Interrogatories

2009 Electricity Distribution Rates

PowerStream Inc. ("PowerStream")

EB-2008-0244

Rate Base (Exhibit B)

- 2.1 Are the amounts proposed for Rate Base appropriate?
- 2.2 Are the amounts proposed for 2009 Capital Expenditures appropriate?

References:	Exhibit B1/T4/S2/p. 2
	Exhibit B1/T4/S2/p. 19
	Exhibit B1/T6/S1
	Exhibit B1/T7/S1

 PowerStream proposes the continuation of a multi-unit residential smart suite metering program (the "Suite Metering Program") and budgets expenditures of \$5.7 million for the years 2008 to 2012 (Exhibit B1/T6/S1). The PowerStream capital investment process indicates that a business case is completed for all projects in excess of \$250,000 (Exhibit B1/T2/S1, p. 19).

Please provide a copy of all business cases, plans, presentations to the PowerStream Executive Management Team, internal communications and calculations that relate to the Suite Metering Program from its inception.

- 2. Please explain how the Suite Metering Program operates, including:
 - (a) To whom is it available multi-unit condominiums, multi-unit residential complexes, commercial developments, etc.?
 - (b) Is the Suite Metering Program available to both new and existing (either bulk metered or conventionally metered) buildings?
- 3. Please produce a copy of all written information or brochures provided to developers, building owners or condominium corporations that promote and/or explain how the Suite Metering Program operates and its benefits and attributes.
- 4. Please confirm that the Suite Metering Program first operated in 2007. If the Suite Metering Program began in an earlier year, or if any expenses associated with its development and roll out were incurred in prior years, please provide a breakdown of the year and the amount.
- 5. Please provide a breakdown of the amounts actually spent on the Suite Metering Program in 2008 and to date in 2009. Please provide for each of 2007, 2008 and

2009 the number of buildings in which Suite Metering Program expenditures were made and the number of units in each of these years that were individually metered as part of the program.

- 6. How has PowerStream developed its budget/forecast expenditures for 2009 through 2012? Please advise as to the number of buildings and units that PowerStream forecasts to meter under the Suite Metering Program for each of the years 2009 through 2012. Please provide a breakdown, if applicable, between new versus existing (retrofit) projects for each of these years. Please provide PowerStream's estimate of the percentage of the new and existing multi-unit condominium market that it believes its Suite Metering Program will address in each of the years 2009 through 2012.
- 7. The PowerStream Website indicates that the Suite Metering Program utilizes Quadlogic Smart Meters. What is PowerStream's forecast cost per suite to purchase and install Quadlogic Smart Meters, and what portion of this amount is included in the Suite Metering Program?
- 8. What is PowerStream's policy for charging each of the following owners/developers for all or a portion of the cost to purchase and install the Quadlogic Smart Meters (or any other smart meters PowerStream contemplates utilizing as part of the Suite Metering Program):
 - (a) Existing condominium corporations and/or unit owners;
 - (b) A condominium, at any stage of construction;
 - (c) Existing residential complexes as this term is defined under the *Residential Tenancies Act;*
 - (d) Planned or residential complexes at any stage of construction.
- 9. If a project requires PowerStream to undertake an economic evaluation under the *Distribution System Code*, is such a project eligible to participate in the Suite Metering Program? If so, how does this affect the economic evaluation?
- 10. Does the Suite Metering Program ever have an impact on the fixed or variable connection charges that PowerStream would otherwise charge project developers/owners, and if so, how does this work?
- 11. If the Suite Metering Program was discontinued, please provide PowerStream's estimate of the increase in either or both of variable connection fees and capital contributions recovered from a project developer/owners for each of the years 2009 to 2012. Please explain the basis for your answer.

Cost of Service (Exhibit D)

I4.1 Are the overall levels of the 2009 Operation, Maintenance and Administration Budgets appropriate?

Reference: Exhibit D1/T1/Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4 and 9

- 12. Does PowerStream include in its proposed 2009 OM&A Budget any amounts for the operation and promotion of the Suite Metering Program (salaries, overhead, etc.)? Please provide the amounts attributable to the Suite Metering Program on a fully allocated basis.
- 13. The PowerStream Website indicates that it partners with Trilliant Networks to deliver the Suite Metering Program. Please advise of Trilliant's role and whether the 2009 OM&A Budget includes any forecast amounts payable to Trilliant, and if so, the forecast amount.

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