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October 2, 2007

Allan Beckstead
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Dear Mr. Beckstead:

**Re: Request for Extension of Filing Deadline for Rate Rebasing Board
File No. EB-2007-0762**

The Board is in receipt of your letter of September 26, 2007 indicating a further delay until October 2007 in the filing of your rate rebasing application for the 2008 rate year. The Board wishes to emphasize the consequences of a late filing, which were outlined in the Board's August 20, 2007 response to your correspondence indicating that the application would not be filed on August 15, 2007.

The date that an application is filed is at the discretion of the applicant. If Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. files in October 2007, there could be a delay in processing the application to an extent that the effective date for new rates could be later than May 1, 2008. If that does occur, there is the possibility that the Board would have to consider the matter of rate retroactivity. As a matter of policy, the Board does not support retroactive rate setting; however, the unique circumstances of an individual case would prevail. Therefore, the matter of rate retroactivity would introduce another issue into the rate review for Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.'s rate rebasing application.

Yours truly,



Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary