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Dear Paul Blythin:

**Re: Application for 2026 Electricity Rates
OEB File No. EB-2025-0020**

This letter is in response to your letter expressing an interest to defer Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. (Niagara Peninsula Energy) rebasing of its rates beyond the 2026 rate year for two years.

The OEB has reviewed the letter and based on Niagara Peninsula Energy's financial and service quality performance is granting approval for Niagara Peninsula Energy's request to defer its 2026 cost of service application. The OEB will place Niagara Peninsula Energy on the list of distributors whose rates will be scheduled for rebasing for the 2028 rate year.

If Niagara Peninsula Energy intends to seek a rate adjustment for 2026 rates, the OEB expects Niagara Peninsula Energy to adhere to the process for Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting applications for the 2026 rate year.

The OEB's [letter of December 1, 2021](#), outlined changes to the OEB's approach to deferrals. With this deferral, Niagara Peninsula Energy must file a cost of service application for 2028 rates. If the rebasing application is not filed by the commencement of the 2028 rate year, the OEB will declare Niagara Peninsula Energy's rates interim until Niagara Peninsula Energy files a rebasing application. Additionally, there is no

availability of an Incremental Capital Module for 2026 rates and the OEB will not require Niagara Peninsula Energy to file a DSP during this deferral period.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi
Registrar