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**BY E-MAIL ONLY** 

December 1, 2008

Noreen Clement Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation 598 Second Avenue Espanola ON P5E 1C4

## Letter of Direction

Dear Ms. Clement:

## Re: Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation 2009 Incentive Regulation Mechanism (2009 IRM) Rate Application Board File Number EB-2008-0173

The Ontario Energy Board has issued its Notice of Application and Hearing relating to your rate application. Please note that you must publish the notice within fourteen calendar days of the date of this letter. If publication is impossible within fourteen calendar days, you must inform the Board staff contact given at the bottom of this letter immediately.

You are directed:

- 1) To arrange immediately for the enclosed English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Ontario Energy Board", to be published in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's service area. Publication must be complete within fourteen calendar days of the date of this letter;
- 2) To arrange immediately for the enclosed French version of the Notice headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario", to be published in one issue of the French language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's service area. Publication must be complete within fourteen calendar days of the date of this letter;

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

- If Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation is a host distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its embedded distributor(s);
- 4) To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and, where applicable, service of the Notice immediately thereafter.
  - a. The affidavit must be sworn by a commissioner of oaths which include, among others, a lawyer, a paralegal, some law clerks, and a student at law;
  - A copy of the notice of publication (i.e., the Notice published in the newspaper(s)) should also be added as an exhibit;
  - c. If applicable, a copy of the registered mail receipt or courier slip for the Notice served to the embedded distributor should be added as an exhibit.
- 5) To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation's office and on its website, if available; and,
- 6) To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to any intervenor who requests a copy.

## **Board staff contact**

Please direct any questions relating to this application to John Vrantsidis, Policy Advisor at (416) 440-8122, or by e-mail at John.Vrantsidis@oeb.gov.on.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

c: Jennifer Uchmanowicz, PUC Distribution Inc.