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May 13, 2008

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Dear Mr. Stefano:

**Re: PUC Distribution Inc. Application
CDM Management Plan
Board File No. EB-2008-0071**

The Board has today issued its Decision and Order in the above matter.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary



EB-2008-0071

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by PUC Distribution Inc. seeking a decision and order to make changes to its Conservation and Demand Management plan;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by PUC Distribution Inc. under section 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking to dispose of the proceeding without a hearing.

BEFORE: Gordon Kaiser
Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Cathy Spoel
Member

DECISION AND ORDER

PUC Distribution Inc. ("PUC" or the "Applicant") filed an application, dated March 28, 2008 for a decision and order seeking approval for a reallocation of funds in relation to third tranche spending of its approved Conservation and Demand Management ("CDM") plan. PUC has also requested, pursuant to subsection 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") that the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dispose of the proceeding without a hearing. The Board assigned file number EB-2008-0071 to this application.

On March 3, 2005, PUC was granted approval of its CDM plan. The total approved budget for PUC's CDM plan is \$886,854.

PUC seeks to reallocate funds from its approved CDM plan (RP-2004-0203/EB-2004-0458) in the amount of \$50,000. This sum falls short of the 20% threshold of its total approved budget and necessary approval for reallocation from the Board, however, as this program is new in nature, PUC is required to seek approval from the Board for the reallocation.

PUC proposes to reallocate \$50,000 from its Smart Meter Website budget to its newly devised program titled Sault Ste. Marie's Environmental Initiative Committee. The scope of the committee is to report on existing energy use practices, future emission reductions and environmental initiatives within municipal operations.

PUC has also requested that the Board dispose of this matter without a hearing pursuant to section 21(4)(b) of the Act. Section 21(4)(b) of the Act states that the Board may dispose of a proceeding without a hearing if the Board determines that "*no person, other than the applicant, appellant or licence holder will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding and the applicant, appellant or licence holder has consented to disposing of a proceeding without a hearing.*"

The Board approves the new proposed program and the subsequent reallocation of funds as proposed by PUC.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

PUC Distribution Inc. is granted approval to reallocate funds totaling \$50,000 from its Smart Meter Website budget to its newly proposed Sault Ste. Marie Environmental Initiative Committee.

DATED at Toronto, May 13, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary