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To: All Participants in proceeding EB-2006-0207

Re: Draft Report of the Board on the Ontario Power Authority's Integrated Power System Plan and Procurement Processes Board File No.: EB-2006-0207

On September 8, 2006, the Board posted on its website a Board staff Discussion Paper that set out proposed principles to guide the Board's review of the Ontario Power Authority's (OPA) Integrated Power System Plan ("IPSP") and procurement processes. The Board invited written comment on all aspects of staff's Discussion Paper.

Today, based on a consideration of the Discussion Paper and the comments received on that document, the Board has issued a draft Board Report on its approach to the review of the OPA's IPSP and procurement processes and applicable filing guidelines.

The Board is inviting written comment on the Board's Report. Although the Board invites comments on all elements of the draft Report, the Board will be assisted in particular by the views of interested parties on the treatment of environmental externalities. Specifically:

- i) How should environmental externalities be considered in reviewing the Plan as a whole and specific electricity projects within the Plan; and
- ii) What changes should be made to the Report for that purpose?

Based on a consideration of comments received on the draft Report, the Board will finalize its approach to the review of the IPSP and the OPA's procurement processes, including applicable filing guidelines.

Interested parties wishing to provide written comments on the draft Board Report must file five paper copies and an electronic version of the comments in searchable Adobe Acrobat (PDF) or Word with the Board Secretary at the address noted above by **4:30 pm on December 1, 2006.** Electronic copies may be submitted on diskette or by e-mail to <u>boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>.

Your filing must quote file number EB-2006-0207 and include your name, address, telephone number and, where available, an e-mail address and fax number.

As with the Staff Discussion Paper, cost awards will be available to eligible persons in relation to written submissions on the draft Board Report. The maximum cost award for written submissions in relation to both papers is 35 hours.

This letter, the draft Board Report and all written comments in response to the draft Report will be available for public inspection on the Board's website at <u>www.oeb.gov.on.ca</u> and at the Board's office during normal business hours.

Any questions relating to this consultation should be directed to Peter Fraser at 416-440-7616 or by e-mail to: <u>Peter.Fraser@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>. The Board's toll free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

Attachment: Draft Report of the Board on the Review of, and Filing Guidelines Applicable to, the Ontario Power Authority's Integrated Power System Plan and Procurement Processes