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To: Licensed Electricity Distributors and Electricity Stakeholders

Re: Cost Allocation Review (EB-2005-0317)

The Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") has begun a process to review cost allocation in the electricity distribution sector as described in the Board's June 24, 2005 letter.

In the June 24, 2005 letter, the Board stated that costs will be awarded to eligible ratepayer or public interest organizations under section 30 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998. The Board also stated that the costs to be awarded will be recovered from all licensed Ontario electricity distributors based on the distributors' respective distribution revenues.

Requests for cost eligibility had to be forwarded in writing to the Board Secretary by July 11, 2005. All such requests have been posted on the Board's website. If an electricity distributor has any objections to any of the requests for cost eligibility, such objections must be filed with the Board Secretary within 14 calendar days of the date of this letter. The Board will then make a final determination on the cost eligibility of the stakeholders.

Electricity distributors who wish to object to any of the cost eligibility requests must file three paper copies of the objection, and an electronic copy in both Adobe Acrobat (PDF) and Word, with the Board Secretary by **4:30 pm** on **August 3, 2005.** Electronic copies may be submitted on diskette or by e-mail to **boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca**. The objection must quote file number **EB-2005-0317** and include your name, address, e-mail address and fax number.

For any questions regarding the cost allocation review consultations, please contact Board staff John Vrantsidis at 416-440-8122, or Pascale Duguay at 416-440-7739, or e-mail <u>CAreview@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>.

Yours truly,

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