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November 1, 2005

To: All parties of Record from EB-2005-0449 and EB-2005-0001

Re: Development of Minimum Filing Requirements for Natural Gas Distribution Cost of Service Applications – Board file number EB-2005-0494

Following the discussions of the stakeholder consultation session held on Tuesday October 18, 2005, staff has prepared a draft of the minimum filing requirements for natural gas distribution cost of service applications. The paper is intended to elicit comments on the proposed minimum filing requirements.

In reviewing the information detailed in the draft minimum filing requirements, the Board suggests, that all interested parties comment on the document itself and the following questions:

- Based on recent rates cases from Union Gas and Enbridge Gas Distribution, what evidence have you found to be missing?
- What evidence is not required?
- How can the filings be structured in ways that reduce the need for interrogatories?
- Are there any issues which may be deferred and addressed separately as part of a generic process leading to the future rebasing?

A copy of the Draft Minimum Filing Requirements for Natural Gas Cost of Service Applications and the Board's October 11, 2005 letter are posted on the Board's website under the Natural Gas Forum – Implementation page.

All parties filing comments should send 3 copies of the written submissions to the Board Secretary's office and an electronic copy in searchable PDF format via email to BoardSec@oeb.gov.on.ca. All submissions should clearly indicate the file number and be sent to the Board Secretary's office by 4:45 pm on Tuesday, November 15, 2005.

Please direct any questions relating to this process to (Rudra Mukherji, Advisor, Applications Group) at 416-481-1967 Ext: 456 or e-mail, <u>rudra.mukherji@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>.

Yours truly,

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