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VIA E-MAIL AND WEB POSTING

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To: All Participants in Proceeding EB-2006-0064

Re: Setting Payment Amounts for Output from OPG's Prescribed Generation Assets: Opportunity to Make Oral Presentations to the Board

The Board will provide Board staff and participants with an opportunity to make an oral presentation to the Board on issues associated with the Board's selection of a methodology for setting payment amounts for the output from OPG's prescribed generation assets. The objectives of the oral presentation opportunity are: (a) to allow Board staff to clarify and elaborate on the alternatives and recommendations contained in staff's July 6, 2006 Discussion Paper; (b) to allow participants to clarify and elaborate on their written submissions; and (c) for the Board to gain a clearer understanding through these presentations and an interactive exchange with staff and participants. A transcript will be taken of the proceedings.

A set of questions or issues will be circulated in advance to guide participants in preparing their presentations. The Board would particularly benefit from presentations by OPG and the IESO in relation to their respective written submissions. The Board also requests participants that have expressed a preference for a particular regulatory model to consult with one another and make a common presentation representing the joint views of the proponents of that model. In that regard, the Board has identified the following participant groups:

- participants that favour a cost of service approach (CCC, Energy Probe, Power Workers' Union, VECC and Hydro One);
- participants that favour an incentive regulation approach based on existing payment amounts (AMPCO and SEC); and
- participants that favour a regulatory contract approach (Constellation Energy, Direct Energy, EMIG, the OPA and TransAlta).

To permit adequate opportunity for discussion, the Board asks that Board staff and participants complete their presentations within 15 minutes and be available for questions from Board members, Board staff and other participants for a further 30 minutes. Participants who intend to make a presentation are asked to make a written copy of the presentation available to the Board in advance.

The oral presentations will be held on **September 15, 2006** in the Board hearing room, 25th floor, 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto.

Those interested in making a presentation on behalf of the proponents of a particular regulatory model and all other participants interested in attending are requested to register in advance by e-mail at <u>EB-2006-0064@oeb.gov.on.ca</u> or telephone to June Colman 416-440-7625 by 4:30 p.m. on August 21, 2006.

Presentation materials must be submitted to the Board Secretary at the address set out above by **4:30 p.m. on September 7, 2005** in the form of three (3) paper copies and an electronic version of the presentation in searchable Adobe Acrobat (PDF) and Word or PowerPoint (as applicable). Please quote file number EB-2006-0064 and include your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, e-mail address and fax number.

Cost Awards for Oral Presentation Phase

Cost awards will be available to eligible participants in relation to their participation in this oral presentation phase. Specifically, cost awards will be available for actual time spent in attendance at the oral presentation session(s) and for up to 10 hours of preparation time. The costs to be awarded will be recovered from OPG.

Next Steps

Following completion of the oral presentation phase, the Board will issue a report identifying the methodology to be used in determining payment amounts for output from OPG's prescribed assets. Subsequently, the Board will initiate a consultation on the development of associated filing requirements for OPG.

Any questions relating to this consultation should be directed to Marika Hare at 416-440-7653 or e-mail: Marika.Hare@oeb.gov.on.ca. The Board's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary