



March 21, 2007

By Email

Kirsten Walli
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2006-0330 - Multi-year Electricity Distribution Rate Setting Plan
Selection of Electricity Distribution for Rebasing**

Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc (CKH) is providing this submission to the Ontario Energy Board (Board) to self-nominate as to which year CKH would request to when the rate rebasing would occur.

CKH is requesting that they rebase in 2010 for the following reasons;

- CKH does not have any significant liquidity issues.
- CKH has a reasonable Return on Equity.
- CKH is in the lower quartile of operating costs using the recent Board summary.
- CKH has been named in O. Reg 425/06 which permits CKH to undertake full deployment of smart meters. As such CKH is in full deployment of smart meters such that all residential customers will have smart meters by the fall of 2007. The customers will also begin to be charged the time-of-use rates. The new rate structure will most likely change the load profile and it will be necessary to have a few years history in order to provide a reasonable load forecast.
- CKH has a three year harmonization plan that has been approved by the Board (EB-2005-0351) and the final year will be implemented in 2008, therefore there will no longer be a rate harmonization issue.

CKH would like to thank the Board for their consideration in rate rebasing in 2010. If any staff members would like to discuss further I can be reached at the number below.

Yours truly,

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