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## BY E-MAIL AND WEB POSTING

November 1, 2007

To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors

Re: Review of Electricity Rate Design

Cost Eligibility Request by the Association of Major Power

**Consumers in Ontario** 

Board File No.: EB-2007-0031

On March 30, 2007, began a consultation process to review the design of electricity distribution rates. In its March 30, 2007 letter, the Board stated that cost awards would be available to eligible persons under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* in relation to their participation in this consultation process. The Board also stated that the costs to be awarded will be recovered from all licensed rate-regulated electricity distributors based on their respective distribution revenues. The rates of licensed distributors Cornwall Street Lighting and Power Company and Dubreuil Forest Products are not currently fixed or approved by the Board, and cost awards will not be recovered from these two licensed distributors.

On October 16, 2007, the Board received a late request to participate and a late request for cost eligibility from the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario ("AMPCO"). A copy of the e-mail containing these requests has been posted on the Board's website, and AMPCO has been added as a registered participant in this consultation.

Stage 1 of this consultation process (the provision of written comments on Board staff's Discussion Paper) has now been completed, and the Board has issued its Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards for stage 1. AMPCO did not participate in stage 1, and its request for eligibility for costs relates to subsequent stages of the consultation.

Any distributor who wishes to object to AMPCO's request for eligibility for costs must file a letter to that effect with the Board Secretary by **4:45 p.m.** on **November 15, 2007.** 

At www.oeb.gov.on.ca/html/en/industryrelations/ongoingprojects ratedesign-electricitydist.htm

The letter must quote file number **EB-2007-0031** and include your name, address, email address, telephone number, and fax number.

Two paper copies and one electronic copy must be filed. The electronic copy must be in searchable/unrestricted PDF format, be submitted through the Board's web portal at <a href="https://www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca</a> and conform to the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS e-Filing Guides (available on the Board's website at <a href="https://www.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.oeb.gov.on.ca</a>). If the portal is not available, the electronic copy may be submitted by e-mail to <a href="mailto-BoardSec@oeb.gov.on.ca">BoardSec@oeb.gov.on.ca</a>

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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