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**To: Interested parties**

**Re: Standard Supply Service Code Implementation Discussion Paper and Workshop**

On December 13, 1999, I sent a letter to interested stakeholders requesting comments on the issues that should be considered for implementation of the Standard Supply Service Code (Code). I wish to thank all parties who provided comments to Board staff on the draft issues list. The letter also indicated that staff would issue a discussion paper and hold a workshop to gather views on the issues.

In the attached discussion paper, Board staff sets out options which I hope will help focus discussion at the workshop. The options presented in the paper are intended to be the starting point for discussion. Following the workshop, staff will develop a draft set of guidelines and other requirements for the Code and these will be circulated for broad consultation to all interested parties in early March. Based on parties' submissions, the Board will finalize the guidelines and filing requirements. They will be placed in the Board-approved Electric Distribution Rate Handbook.

**Invitation to the Workshop** - Interested parties who wish to make suggestions, modifications or add to the options presented in the discussion paper are invited to do so at a workshop to be held in the **Board's offices on the 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hearing Room #2 at 2300 Yonge Street commencing at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2000.** If necessary, the workshop will reconvene on February 25, 2000. **Those interested in attending the workshop are asked to reserve a space by registering by Friday, February 18, 2000.** To register, please contact Shyrose Virani (416) 440-8114 (E-mail [viranish@oeb.gov.on.ca](mailto:viranish@oeb.gov.on.ca))

At the workshop session, Board staff is looking for guidance as to the most practical and fair approach to the issues. The workshop will be an interactive session and Board staff will be asking for a consensus to be reached on issues wherever possible.

Any questions relating to the process should be directed to Colin Schuch (416-440-8105) or Mark Garner (416-440-7627).

Sincerely,

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Director of Licensing

Attachment