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All Parties to Proceedings EB-1999-0269, EB-1999-0260, EB-1999-0281, EB-2002-0462, EB-1999-0216, EB-2002-0524, EB-2002-0482, EB-2003-0020, EB-2003-0031

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Electricity Distributors Association (EDA)
Urban Development Institute/Ontario (UDI)
Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
Consumers' Association of Canada (CAC)
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Dear Sir or Madam:

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Re: Applications for Distribution Service Area Amendments
Board File Nos: EB-1999-0269, EB-1999-0260, EB-1999-0281, EB-2002-0462, EB-1999-0216, EB-2002-0524, EB-2002-0482, EB-2003-0020, EB-2003-0031

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The above nine applications have been filed with the Ontario Energy Board for distribution service area amendments. Notices of Application have been issued for all nine applications and Procedural Orders requesting written submissions have been issued for proceedings EB-1999-0269, EB-1999-0260 and EB-1999-0216. Intervenor have requested oral hearings for these three proceedings.

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Due to the similar policy questions which arise in each of these applications, the Board has decided to combine these proceedings into one proceeding and to deal with this matter by way of an oral hearing. Given that the issues raised may affect other parties, the Board considers it appropriate to make provisions for persons other than those already party to one of the proceedings.

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The Board has today issued its Procedural Order No. 1 in the combined proceeding and an executed copy is attached.

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Yours truly,

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Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary

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Encl.