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Mr. John Kerklaan
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St. Catharines Hydro Utility Services Inc.
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Dear Sirs:

**Re: Application for Leave to Amalgamate Hamilton Hydro Inc. and St.
Catharines Hydro Utility Services Inc. and Related Matters
Board File No. EB-2004-0504**

The Board has today issued its decision and order in the above matter and an executed copy is attached.

Yours truly,

Original Signed by

Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary