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## VIA E-MAIL AND WEB POSTING

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To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors

**Re: Survey for 2013 IRM Rate Applications**

For distributors seeking rate adjustments effective May 1, 2013 under the 2013 IRM rate application process, the Board will assign electricity distributors into one of six application groupings based on the expected level of complexity of the application. Applications of greater complexity require more time to review and will need to be filed first. Staggering of the applications allows the Board and other stakeholders to appropriately schedule resources to allow for adequate review of the applications.

The Board requests, through this communication, that all electricity distributors that are scheduled to file a 2013 IRM application for rates effective May 1, 2013 identify if one or more of the following elements are expected to be included in their IRM application.

- LRAM to account for persistence of 2010 CDM programs in 2011 and 2012;
- LRAM Variance account disposition;
- Prudence Review of Smart Meter Costs;
- Rate Harmonization pursuant to a prior Board decision;
- Z Factor claim;
- Incremental Capital Module claim;
- Renewable Generation Adder request; and
- Other (please specify).

Applicants expected to include one or more of the following elements in their application will be assigned an earlier filing date.

The deadlines for filing an IRM application have been determined so that, in the normal course of events, a Decision and Order would be issued in time for a May 1 implementation date.

The application deadlines are as follows:

- Tranche 1: Friday August 31, 2012
- Tranche 2: Friday September 14, 2012
- Tranche 3: Friday September 28, 2012
- Tranche 4: Friday October 12, 2012
- Tranche 5: Friday October 26, 2012
- Tranche 6: Friday November 9, 2012

The assignment of distributors under these filing dates will be identified in a separate communication.

Distributors that are seeking rate adjustments effective January 1, 2013 will be required to file their IRM application by August 3, 2012.

Please complete the attached excel model "2013 IRM Application Survey" and submit the survey by no later than **July 6, 2012**. If you require further information please contact Birgit Armstrong at (416) 544-5162 or [birgit.armstrong@ontarioenergyboard.ca](mailto:birgit.armstrong@ontarioenergyboard.ca).

Yours truly,

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