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**To:** Parties to EB-2009-0331

Other Interested Stakeholders

Re: Filing Guidelines for Ontario Power Generation Inc. - Setting Payment

**Amounts for Prescribed Generation Facilities** 

Board File No. EB-2009-0331

Today, the Board has released its revised Filing Guidelines for Ontario Power Generation Inc. in Setting Payment Amounts for Prescribed Generation Facilities. The Filing Guidelines set out the information that the Board expects OPG to file for purposes of the setting of payment amounts for certain of OPG's generation assets under section 78.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998.

The Filing Guidelines were originally issued on July 27, 2007 in preparation for the first payment amounts proceeding. On November 3, 2008, the Board issued the first payment amounts decision for prescribed facilities and on December 2, 2008, the first payment amounts order was issued.

The Board initiated a consultative process to discuss the filing requirements for OPG's next payment amounts application by posting revised Filing Guidelines for comment on September 24, 2009. The revision included mandatory information requirements which the Board identified in the last cost of service proceeding. A stakeholder meeting was held on October 22, 2009 and subsequently, the Board received submissions from OPG and eight other stakeholders. The Filing Guidelines issued today reflect the Board's consideration of the submissions received.

The Board expects OPG to rely on the Filing Guidelines in developing its next payments application and to develop a comprehensive filing. It is the Board's expectation that the revised Filing Guidelines will reduce the number of interrogatories in the next payment amounts proceeding.

The Board thanks all participants in this consultation for their contribution to the revision of the Filing Guidelines.

The Board will address the issue of cost awards for this consultation in a separate communication.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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