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VIA E-MAIL AND WEB POSTING

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To: Independent Electricity System Operator

**Re: Reporting Requirements in Relation to the Board's Determination Under Section 1.2.1 of the Standard Supply Service Code to Mandate Time-of-Use Pricing for Regulated Price Plan Customers
Board File No. EB-2010-0218**

A [letter](#) issued on August 13, 2010 to electricity distributors established a requirement to report on a monthly basis distributors' progress toward implementing time-of-use ("TOU") pricing. In a [letter](#) issued on September 7, 2010 the Board established a complementary requirement for the Independent Electricity System Operator (the "IESO") in its capacity as the Smart Metering Entity (the "SME") to report on a monthly basis about its readiness and performance as well as the progress of distributors' system integration with the Meter Data Management and Repository ("MDM/R"), a necessary step to implement TOU pricing. Accordingly, since September 2010 the IESO has been providing such monthly updates.

The initial purpose of the monthly reports was to provide confirmation as to the ability of the MDMR to meet the mandatory TOU implementation schedule established by the Board. As of June 2013, almost all distributors have completed, or nearly completed, implementation of TOU pricing for eligible customers, with about 4.4 million customers on TOU in total. Accordingly, the Board ended the requirement for electricity distributors to submit monthly progress reports in a letter issued on July 25, 2013. The Board believes that the substance and frequency of the IESO's reporting in its capacity as SME should therefore be revised to reflect that integration of distributors' systems with the MDM/R is virtually complete.

Going forward, the Board will require the IESO to file, on a quarterly basis, information about the ongoing operations of the MDM/R. The new, quarterly report must continue to provide the following information that has been included in the IESO's monthly reports to date:

- MDM/R Operation and Software Testing;
- Processing Performance; and
- Additional Risks and Issues.

In addition, the quarterly report must contain information about performance against the following:

- the “MDM/R Service Levels” (for both Critical and Non-Critical Services) set out in Appendix A of the MDM/R Terms of Service; and
- the “Roles and Responsibilities of the SME” set out in Article 2.2 of the “Smart Metering Agreement for Distributors”.

Lastly, the quarterly report should include information about any steps being taken to “investigate opportunities for providing access to depersonalized, generic data to third parties for planning, research, and customer benchmarking purposes. . .” as directed in the February 11, 2013 Report of the Board: Supplemental Report on Smart Grid.

The first monthly report is due on **October 31, 2013**. Subsequent monthly reports are **due on the last day of the month following the end of each quarter**.

This filing should be in searchable/unrestricted Adobe Acrobat (PDF) format and should be submitted to the Board Secretary by e-mail at boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca. The subject line of the e-mail should state: “Smart Metering Entity: MDM/R Report”.

The filing will be made available for public inspection on the Board’s website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca and at the office of the Board during normal business hours.

Questions about this letter should be directed to the Market Operations Hotline at market.operations@ontarioenergyboard.ca. The Board’s toll free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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