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May 15, 2013

Mr. H. Singh
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Dear Mr. Singh:

RE: Public Utilities Board Order 43/13 - Interim Approval of Changes to the Curtailable Rate Program

On April 26, 2013, the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba ("PUB") issued Order 43/13 with respect to Manitoba Hydro's 2012/13 & 2013/14 General Rate Application. In this Order, the PUB approved the following, on an interim basis, with respect to Manitoba Hydro's proposed changes to its Curtailable Rate Program ("CRP"):

That Manitoba Hydro's proposed changes to the Curtailable Rate Program BE AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED ON AN INTERIM BASIS, to be reviewed by the Board at a General Rate Application to follow the Needs For And Alternatives To (NFAT) hearing with respect to Manitoba Hydro's Preferred Development Plan.

Manitoba Hydro wishes to advise the PUB that two of the approved changes to the CRP are difficult to implement on an interim basis, as customer decisions in response to these changes are not easily reversible if these changes are not subsequently approved as final:

- A change in the defined hours for peak and off-peak periods; and,
- Elimination of Curtailment Options "C" and "CE" effective one year from PUB approval (i.e. the sunset date).

As the PUB is not prepared to approve these changes on a final basis at this time, Manitoba Hydro proposes to defer implementation of the change in the defined hours for peak and off-peak periods and the elimination of Options "C" and "CE" until such time as the PUB grants final approval.

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Manitoba Hydro intends to implement the other changes to the CRP that were outlined in its Application, and approved by Order 43/13, in the intervening time. Manitoba Hydro notes that it will reduce the global subscription cap on Option "A", but only to the extent that the existing Option "C" load can be accommodated.

Manitoba Hydro is requesting the PUB's confirmation of the forgoing. Should you have any questions with respect to this submission, please do not hesitate to contact the writer at (204) 360-3946.

Yours truly,

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June 25, 2013

Ms. Patricia J. Ramage
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Dear Ms. Ramage:

**Re: Public Utilities Board Order 43/13 Interim Approval of Changes to the
 Curtailable Rate Program**

The Manitoba Public Utilities Board (Board) has received your letter of May 15, 2013 regarding the Board's interim approval of proposed changes to the Curtailable Rate Program (CRP) as ordered in Board Order 43/13.

In your letter Manitoba Hydro advises that Board that two of the proposed approved changes to the CRP are difficult to implement on an interim basis as customer's decisions in response to these changes are not easily reversible if these changes are not subsequently approved as final. Specifically, Manitoba Hydro highlights the following approved changes as problematic:

- A change in the defined hours for peak and off-peak periods; and'
- Elimination of the Curtailment Options "C" and "CE" effective one year from PUB approval (i.e. the sunset date).

Manitoba Hydro has proposed to defer the above changes until such time as the Board grants final approval to the proposed CRP changes. Manitoba Hydro is seeking the Board's confirmation that deferral of the above proposed changes to the CRP is acceptable to the Board.

The Board appreciates the uncertainty that may be created for CRP customers resulting from the Board's interim approval to the proposed CRP changes from Order 43/13. The Board therefore confirms Manitoba Hydro's proposed approach to defer the implementation of the above-referenced changes to the CRP program until such time as the Board grants final approval.

Yours truly,

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