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Mr. H. Singh Executive Director Public Utilities Board 400-330 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0C4

Dear Mr. Singh:

RE: Manitoba Hydro Application for Interim Electric Rates Effective April 1, 2014

Please find attached nine (9) copies of Manitoba Hydro's Application for Interim Electric Rates Effective April 1, 2014, pursuant to Section 26(1) of *The Crown Corporations Public Review and Accountability Act* and Section 47(2) of *The Public Utilities Board Act*. In this Application, Manitoba Hydro is requesting approval, on an interim basis, of a 3.95% general rate increase effective April 1, 2014, sufficient to generate additional revenue of \$56 million in 2014/15, to be applied on an across-the-board basis for all customer classes.

Manitoba Hydro proposes that the public review process for this Application be conducted by way of a written process, without an oral hearing, in order to avoid resource and scheduling constraints during the Needs For and Alternatives To ("NFAT") proceeding and to ensure timely implementation of the proposed rate increase. Enclosed please find a draft timetable for this Application for the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba's consideration. The proposed timetable contemplates written submissions from intervenors by March 17, 2014 and a reply submission from Manitoba Hydro by March 24, 2014. Manitoba Hydro respectfully requests an Order from the PUB with respect to this Application on or before March 31, 2014, in order to implement new rates effective April 1, 2014.

Manitoba Hydro has also provided a copy of the Application to intervenors of past record at the 2012/13 & 2013/14 General Rate Application. Should you have any questions with respect to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the writer at 360-3257.

Yours truly,

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