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Ms. Patricia J. Ramage  
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Dear Ms. Ramage:

Re: NFAT and Manitoba Hydro's Internal Load Forecast

Further to the Board's letter of October 21, 2013 in respect to the above referenced matter, Manitoba Hydro has now requested that the Board issue a subpoena to obtain a copy of the Internal Load Forecasts.

No subpoena is required.

The direction to Manitoba Hydro to provide the PUB Panel with access to the Internal Load Forecasts, is contained in Order-in-Council 128/2013. The Terms of Reference attached to that Order in Council state that:

The Panel shall establish a process for the thorough review of any information that the Panel determines to be relevant to the conduct of the NFAT, **including relevant Commercially Sensitive Information**, as defined in Appendix A, subject to these Terms of Reference.

The definition of "Commercially Sensitive Information" expressly includes "*the internal, non-public load forecast prepared by Hydro on an annual basis...*". Manitoba Hydro has acknowledged the Order in Council provides the PUB with the authority to view the Internal Load Forecast.

Rather than immediately deposit the Internal Load Forecast in the secure rooms with other Commercially Sensitive Information (as was done with MH's long term Export Contracts and Internal Power Resource Plans) the Board is prepared, as it indicated in Order 92/13 to take an intermediate step by having the document reviewed by its own advisor.

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Following this review, the panel will determine whether or not the document should be placed in the secure room and, if so, under what conditions.

Please confirm that the current Internal Load Forecast will be made available, without further delay by Manitoba Hydro.

Yours truly,

*“Original signed by”*

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