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The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba  
Attention: Mr. Kurt Simonsen  
Associate Secretary  
400-330 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0C4

Dear Mr. Simonsen:

We are writing to request an extension of time to file Information Requests (“IR”) relating to the Cost of Service Study (“COSS”) excel model supporting the most current COSS as filed that we have requested from Manitoba Hydro.

In Coalition MFR 12, relating to COSS and Rate Design, the Coalition requested the following:

With respect to the PUB’s COSS and Rate Design MFR #99, please provide a copy of the COSS excel model supporting the most current COSS as filed with the Application.

Manitoba Hydro provided the following response on 26 May 2017:

Manitoba Hydro proposes to release a final version of the PCOSS18 model to all Interveners that are approved to participate in the 2017/18 & 2018/19 General Rate Application, subsequent to the issuance of a Procedural Order arising from the first Pre-Hearing Conference for this Application.

Manitoba Hydro’s provision of the PCOSS18 model is made with the express understanding that:

- (a) The use of the PCOSS18 model shall be limited to the review of Manitoba Hydro’s 2017/18 & 2018/19 General Rate Application; and
- (b) The PCOSS18 model shall not be disseminated to parties or individuals other than the people working on this Application.

Following the issuance by the PUB of its Procedural Order 70/17, the Consumers Coalition reached out to Manitoba Hydro to request the PCOSS18 model referred to in its response to MFR 12. Unfortunately, we have received no answer to date nor have we received the model requested.

The PCOSS18 model was requested by our analyst and is required by him in the formulation of his IRs to Manitoba Hydro. Given that we have not yet received the PCOSS18 model, we would request an extension of time to file IRs relating to the PCOSS18 model. We believe that we could file the IRs

within four (4) working days of receiving the PCOSS18 model from Manitoba Hydro.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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cc Consumers Coalition  
Manitoba Hydro  
Intervenors in the Manitoba Hydro General Rate Application