## National Energy Board



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Dear Ms. Zettler:

Manitoba Hydro Application dated 16 August 2013 to Export Electricity to Great River Energy -- Request for Confidentiality of redacted contract provisions

On 16 August 2013 Manitoba Hydro filed an application with the National Energy Board (Board) to export electricity to Great River Energy. Included with the application for export were redacted and unredacted copies of a 200 MW Diversity Exchange Agreement (Agreement). Pursuant to section 16.1 of the *National Energy Board Act*, Manitoba Hydro requested that the Board grant its request for confidential treatment of the redacted provisions identified in the Agreement. Manitoba Hydro submitted that the disclosure of redacted provisions could reasonably be expected to prejudice its competitive position in the wholesale electricity market.

The Board has considered the nature of the information contained in the redacted provisions of the Agreement, in light of Manitoba Hydro's submissions, and is satisfied that the confidentiality order is justified under subsection 16.1(a) of the *National Energy Board Act*. The Board has decided to grant the requested relief and directs that the redacted provisions identified in the Agreement filed under Manitoba Hydro application dated 16 August 2013 be treated confidentially.

Yours truly,

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Secretary of the Board



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