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Secretary of the Board
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Re: Independent Electricity System Operator Permits EPE-289 and EPE-290

The National Energy Board ("the Board") has been undertaking the development and implementation of a Commodity Tracking System to allow export authorization holders to submit their monthly reports under the Board's Export and Import Reporting Regulations electronically.

Prior to 2009, it was the Board's practice to issue separate permits for firm and interruptible emergency energy exports. These separate permits were often linked to one another so as to create one combined quantity limit for export activities. Permits EPE-289 and EPE-290, issued to Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO") on August 2, 2006 are two such "linked" permits.

The NEB Commodity Tracking System does not have the functionality to identify and monitor "linked" quantity limits between permits and so the Board has identified to the IESO that there is a need to combine Permits EPE-289 and EPE-290 into a single permit by revoking EPE-290 and amending EPE-289 permit to include the conditions of EPE-290. This is an administrative change only.

This letter hereby provides the IESO's consent to the Board to revoke Permit EPE-290 and to amend Permit EPE-289 to include the conditions of the revoked Permit.

If you have any questions about these comments, I can be reached at 905-855-6135.

Sincerely,

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cc: Roy Stewart, General Counsel and Secretary, IESO