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September 30, 2009

Mr. Colin Andersen
Chief Executive Officer
Ontario Power Authority
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Dear Mr. Andersen:

I write pursuant to my authority as the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, in order to exercise the statutory powers of ministerial direction which I have in respect of the Ontario Power Authority (the "OPA") under section 25.35 of the Electricity Act, 1998 (the "EA").

By way of a Direction dated September 24, 2009, I directed the OPA to develop the feed-in tariff ("FIT") program. The Government is exploring opportunities to further enable new green industries through new investment and job creation and provide incentives for investment in renewable energy technologies.

I now further direct the OPA, in carrying out the Transmission Availability Test under the FIT Program Rules, to hold in reserve 240 MW of transmission capacity in Haldimand County and a total of 260 MW of transmission capacity in Essex County and the Municipality of Chatham-Kent jointly for renewable energy generating facilities whose proponents have signed a province-wide framework agreement with the Province.

In my Direction of September 24, 2009, I directed the OPA to ensure that, under the FIT Program, it procures no more than 500 MW of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic facilities greater than 100 kW located on lands comprised of Canada Land Inventory Class 3 soils. I further directed the OPA to allocate this 500 MW among the Regional Administrative Boundary Alignments used by the Ontario Realty Corporation based on the proportion of Class 3 soil land found in each region in relation to the total Class 3 soil land in Ontario. I now further direct the OPA to reserve 100 MW of the total amount that would have been allocated to the West Region for solar generating facilities whose proponents have signed a province-wide framework agreement with the Province.

This Direction takes effect on the date issued.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George Smitherman".

George Smitherman
Deputy Premier, Minister