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Gentlemen:

Re: Return on Common Equity for a
Low-Risk Benchmark Utility for the Year 2010

Pursuant to the Commission's Decision dated June 10, 1994 regarding Return on Common Equity, and Order G-35-94, as amended by Order G-80-99, Order G-109-01, and Order G-14-06, the Commission has in November of previous years determined the allowed return on common equity for a benchmark low-risk utility for the ensuing year.

As recipients may be aware, the Commission has heard an application from the Terasen Utilities to eliminate the automatic adjustment mechanism and anticipates that it will issue a decision in this regard in mid-December. Following the issue of the decision, the Commission will determine what further action is required.

Yours truly,

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