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Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
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RE: Smart Grid Working Group File EB-2011-0004

Dear Ms. Walli,

The Society of Energy Professionals is pleased to offer this letter supporting the participation of Scott Travers, P. Eng. B.Ed, MBA, in the Ontario Energy Board's Smart Grid Working Group (SGWG).

The Society of Energy Professionals represents more than 8,300 professionals including scientists, engineers, system analysts, market analysts, financial specialists and planners employed at Ontario Power Generation, Hydro One, Bruce Power, the Ontario Energy Board, the Independent Electricity System Operator and other key stakeholders in the Ontario electricity sector. Our union is actively involved in promoting policy solutions to help foster an Ontario electricity sector which is reliable, sustainable and affordable.

The Society of Energy Professionals occupies a unique integrative space at the nexus of many sectoral stakeholders, and through our political independence and our ability to bring together subject matter experts from many different loci in the system, we are positioned to make a unique and valuable contribution to the conversation about smart grid development and implementation.

Mr. Travers holds the elected position of Local Vice-President and Executive Board member within The Society. He is employed at the IESO as a Senior Market Analyst who works with stakeholders on evolving aspects of the Ontario Energy Market design to improve efficiencies and reliability. He has also worked as a trainer, providing education to external stakeholders on different aspects of the the electricity market such as Ontario Energy Trading, Interjurisdictional Energy Trading, Physical Bilateral Contracts, Financial Transmission Rights and Commercial Reconciliation processes. He has developed and delivered in-house training programs for market participants such as OPG, Brascan, Transalta, NYPA. During his tenure with Ontario Hydro and Ontario Power Generation, Mr. Travers has also amassed considerable experience in areas such as performance assurance engineering, environmental and process engineering, and leadership and management development.

Mr. Travers is the Chair of the Society's technical advisory committee which regularly brings together subject matter experts from a wide variety of backgrounds to share and integrate knowledge and perspectives around sectoral policy. As such, he is able to draw not only on his own substantial knowledge and experience, but also on the knowledge and experience of many other experts.

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On behalf of The Society, Mr. Travers looks forward to making a positive contribution to the discussion of smart grid design and implementation. Should you have any further questions or require clarification of any issue, please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr. Travers directly.

Thank you,

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