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October 18, 2012

BY EMAIL & COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge St, Suite 2701  
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Board File No. EB-2012-0173**  
**Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp. – 2013 Cost of Service Application**  
**Intervention of Energy Probe**

Pursuant to the Notice of Application and Hearing issued by the Board on October 15, 2012 in respect of Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp., Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) is hereby providing its Notice of Intervention in the EB-2012-0173 proceeding for the Board's consideration.

Energy Probe has become aware of a number of issues it wishes to pursue in this Matter, and has therefore availed itself of expert support. Please note that in the attached Notice of Intervention, Energy Probe **has requested a hard copy of the Applicant's evidence and material for Mr. Aiken** in addition to electronic copies.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

David S. MacIntosh  
Case Manager

cc: Wayne Armstrong, Welland Hydro (By email)  
Randy Aiken, Consultant to Energy Probe (By email)

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**Ontario Energy Board**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,  
S.O. 1998, c.15, Sched. B, as amended;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Welland  
Hydro-Electric System Corp. for an Order or Orders approving  
or fixing just and reasonable rates and other service charges for  
the distribution of electricity, effective on May 1, 2013.

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION**

OF

**ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.

Statement of Interest

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. Energy Probe will be representing its residential customer supporters in Ontario, which we have some number of thousands, and also representing a broader public interest concern with respect to the overall financial health and operational integrity of our utilities. Energy Probe will be intervening on issues which the Foundation believes to be in the public interest.

Intervention

Energy Probe intends to appear and participate in the hearing. Energy Probe expects to be a full-time intervenor. Energy Probe will be assisted by experts and may call evidence.

Costs

Energy Probe is a non-profit organization which relies on individual donations to help protect the public interest. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Energy Probe's ability to participate in proceedings would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this proceeding, and expects to intervene responsibly, cognizant of the Boards guidelines regarding cost awards.

## Communications

Communications relating to this Notice of Intervention, including but not limited to a copy of all documents filed with the Board by Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp., are required by Energy Probe and should be directed to:

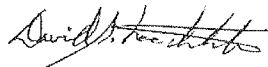
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Energy Probe wishes to advise the Applicant that electronic copies, plus a CD, of the prefiled evidence, and any other supporting materials are sufficient for its Case Manager. In addition to electronic copies, plus a CD, of the prefiled evidence, **please provide one hard copy of the Application and other supporting materials to Mr. Randy Aiken.**

DATED at Toronto, Ontario this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012.



David MacIntosh  
Case Manager