

VIA E-MAIL

March 22, 2016

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319
27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2015-0363 Regulatory Framework for Natural Gas Distributors' Cap and Trade Compliance Plans

REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION & DETERMINATION OF COST AWARD ELIGIBILITY

We are writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (“FRPO”) in regard to the Board’s letter of March 10th in the referenced proceeding . We are encouraged that the Board is advancing this consultation to inform the regulatory framework for the Natural Gas Distributors’ Cap and Trade.

FRPO is Ontario’s leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board.

SCOPE OF PROCEEDING

The Board’s letter of March 10th outlined the Board’s invitation to provide input into issues regarding the natural gas distributor’ Cap and Trade activities and potential options to address these issues including methods of cost recovery. We respect that the Board has also explicitly emphasized issues that will be outside of the scope of the proceeding. The framework and resulting recovery mechanisms will have rate impacts for our members consequently we would appreciate the opportunity to have input into the process. FRPO appreciates the scope of the proceeding and would desire to be included in all aspects of the proceeding as the Board so determines.

REPRESENTATION

FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,



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