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VIA E-MAIL AND COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge St. Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli

**Re:** Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

Notice of Intervention: EB-2007-0647/EB-2007-0649/EB-2007-0650/EB-2007-0651/EB-2007-0652

Great Lakes Power Limited – Various Applications Related to the Proposed Transfer of its Transmission System to Great Lakes Power Transmission LP

Please find enclosed the Notice of Intervention of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) in the above-noted proceeding. We shall also be directing a copy of the same to the Applicant.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Michael Janigan Counsel for VECC

cc: Great Lakes Power Limited

Great Lakes Power Transmission LP

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF Applications by Great Lakes Power Limited (GLPL) and Great Lakes Power Transmission Inc. on behalf of Great Lakes Power Transmission LP (GLPTLP) pursuant to sections 18, 60, 74, and 86(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act* for an Order or Orders related to the transfer of ownership of its transmission system.

#### NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

**OF** 

### **VULNERABLE ENERGY CONSUMERS COALITION (VECC)**

To: Ms. Kirsten Walli

**Board Secretary** 

And to: GLPL GLPTLP

- 1. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) hereby expresses its intention to intervene and participate in the above-mentioned proceeding. VECC consists of the following organizations:
  - (a) The Federation of Metro Tenants Association
  - (b) The Ontario Coalition of Senior Citizens' Organizations (OCSCO)

2. The Federation of the Metro Tenants Association is a non-profit corporation composed of over ninety-two affiliated tenants associations, individual tenants, housing organizations, and members of non-profit housing co-oops. In addition to encouraging the organization of tenants and the promotion of decent and affordable housing, the Federation provides general information, advice, and assistance to tenants. The address is:

500-27 Carlton Street Toronto, ON M5B 1L2

3. The Ontario Coalition of Senior Citizens' Organizations (OCSCO) is a coalition of over 120 senior groups as well as individual members across Ontario. OCSCO represents the concerns of over 500,000 senior citizens through its group and individual members. OCSCO's mission is to improve the quality of life for Ontario's seniors. OCSCO's address is:

500-3101 Bathurst Street Toronto, ON M6A 2A6

4. The name and address of the agent authorized to receive documents on behalf of VECC is:

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5. VECC would request that all correspondence and documentation also be copied to VECC's consultant:

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- 6. VECC is intervening in order to ensure that consumer interests and in particular the interests of the low-income and vulnerable users of electricity are fully represented in the consideration of the proposed transfer of assets and related matters. VECC was an active participant in GLPL's most recent Settlement Agreement regarding its Transmission Rates.
- 7. VECC requests that a copy of the Application (along with any additional supporting materials) be forwarded to each of the two parties named above.
- 8. VECC is of the view that a written proceeding is appropriate, provided parties to the proceeding have an opportunity to pose information requests to the Applicants.
- 9. VECC will be requesting an award of costs for its participation in this proceeding and believes that it meets the eligibility criteria set out in the

Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure and its Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

DATED AT OTTAWA, THIS 26th DAY OF JULY, 2007

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