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Dear Ms Walli:

Re: LEAP Implementation Working Groups

I am counsel to the Consumers Council of Canada (the "Council"). On May 20, 2009, the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") advised stakeholders that it intended to form two working groups to assist the Board with the implementation of its Low-income Energy Assistance Program ("LEAP"). The Board is seeking nominations for working groups to provide that assistance.

The Council is a non-profit, public interest group which represents the broad array of residential consumers of natural gas and electricity. The Council has, over the course of many years, participated in a wide variety of Board proceedings, dealing with both rate-setting and policy-making matters.

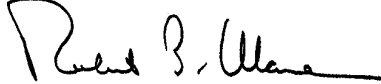
The Council nominates Julie Girvan for the Financial Assistance working group. Ms Girvan has more than two decades of experience in dealing with the regulated energy sector, first as a member of Board staff, and then as a consultant and adviser to residential consumer groups. In addition to advising the Council in rate proceedings, Ms Girvan has been a member of a number of bodies advising the Board, Hydro One Networks, the Independent Electricity System Operator, the Ontario Power Authority, and several natural gas and electricity distribution companies, on a variety of issues related to the interests of residential consumers. As a result of all of her work, Ms Girvan is among the most experienced persons on energy regulation in the Province.

It is essential that the interests of the broad array of residential consumers be independently and properly represented on the LEAP implementation working groups. The Council urges the Board to appoint Ms Girvan to the Financial Assistance working group.

A copy of Ms Girvan's CV will be sent by separate email.

Yours very truly,

WeirFoulds LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert B. Warren", written over the printed name.

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cc: Joan Huzar, Consumers Council of Canada

cc: Julie Girvan

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