

September 20, 2007

Mr. Peter O'Dell Assistant Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street 27<sup>th</sup> floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4 By email: <u>boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>

Re: <u>EB-2007-0722:</u>

Stakeholder Consultation on Electricity Distributors' Provision of Service and Application of Charges.

Dear Mr. O'Dell:

Following from your notice of September 6, 2007 the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) wishes to indicate our interest in participating in the October 18, 2007 stakeholder review meeting, and in providing comments on the subsequent background paper.

Also, FRPO hereby requests consideration for cost award eligibility with this initiative.

The Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario is the only province-wide industry association for residential landlords and managers, representing 800 members who supply over 250,000 rental suites across Ontario.

FRPO has a strong interest in ensuring that the rental housing sector is served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. We believe this competitive market should be facilitated by allowing both LDC's and private metering companies to provide smart submeter energy services throughout Ontario.

Effectively participating in the stakeholder review may require FRPO incur additional costs that our outside the budget of our non-profit organization. Where possible we will utilize the skills and time of our volunteer Utilities Sub-committee.

Sincerely,

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Mike Chopowick Manager of Policy