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VIA E-MAIL

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Dear Ms. Walli

**Re: EB-2009-0158 and EB-2009-0192,
NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING
RELATING TO THE RECOVERY OF LRAM/ SSM AMOUNTS
NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING RELATED TO THE
APPROVAL OF A SMART METER FUNDING ADDER
Comments on Draft Rate Order
Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

As Counsel to the Vulnerable Energy Consumer's Coalition (VECC), I hereby provide comments of my clients on the Draft Rate Order filed by Horizon on October 15th 2009, in response to the Board's Decision with Reasons Dated October 8, 2009.

Calculation of Revised LRAM and Rate rider for Residential and GS<50kW Class

The starting point for our consultants' review of the Residential and GS<50kw class 2007/2008 revised LRAM claim is the response to VECC IR 6 e).

VECC agrees with the revised kwh calculation for the 2005/2006 carry forward component and the LRAM claim as set out in Table 6 of the Draft Rate Order.

Also based on the response to VECC IR#6 f), the revised carrying charges appear to be correctly calculated as shown at line 1 of Table 7 of the Draft Order.

The calculations, based on the revised input assumptions, has reduced Horizon Utilities LRAM claim by \$330,906 plus the reduction in carrying charges as recommended by VECC.

Based on the Board's Decision to direct Horizon to collect the Residential and GS<50 kw LRAM amount of \$779,109 and SSM amount of \$11,047 over 6 months commencing November 1, 2009, the unit rate riders appear correct. Accordingly VECC agrees with the Rate Rider calculations for the Residential and GS<50 class.

We have no comments on the proposed Smart Meter Rate Adder given the Board's Approval of \$1.56/metered customer/month.

Yours truly,

Original signed

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