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Delivered by Courier and E-mail

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Horizon Utilities Corporation – **Z-Factor Application** Board File No.EB-2009-0332

We are counsel to Horizon Utilities Corporation ("Horizon Utilities") in the above captioned matter. Pursuant to the Board's Procedural Order No. 3, please find accompanying this letter Horizon Utilities' responses to the interrogatories of Board Staff and the intervenors in this matter.

Please note that Horizon Utilities is filing the following responses in confidence, in accordance with the Board's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings* (the "Practice Direction"):

Board Staff: #1; #2(a) #3; #4; #5; #6; 8(b); and #10(b) and (d)

CCC: #7

Energy Probe: #2(a)

School Energy Coalition: #1; #4; #5; #14; and #15

U.S. Steel Canada Inc.: #4

VECC: #3(b) and (c); #4; #5(b); and #9

In keeping with the requirements of the Practice Direction, Horizon Utilities will be filing with the Board confidential unredacted versions of the responses to these questions. They will be delivered to the Board by courier tomorrow, in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential". That sealed envelope will be accompanied by a letter suitable for placement on the public record that will set out Horizon Utilities' grounds for its confidentiality request. We will provide copies of that letter electronically tomorrow. Horizon Utilities will be prepared to provide copies of its responses to the interrogatories noted above to parties' counsel and experts or consultants provided that they have executed the Board's form of Declaration and Undertaking with respect to confidentiality and that they comply with the Practice Direction, subject to Horizon Utilities' right to object to the Board's acceptance of a Declaration and Undertaking from any person.



Should you have any questions or require further information in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly, BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS LLP

Original signed by James C. Sidlofsky

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