## ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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**IN THE MATTER OF** cost awards for eligible participants in relation to a consultation process relating to amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code associated with the settlement and billing of renewable embedded retail generation facilities.

## **MOTION RECORD OF NORTHWATCH**

(Motion for Review of Board Decision and Order on Cost Awards issued February 8, 2010)

March 2, 2010

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Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

## AND TO: ALL REGISTERED INTERVENORS

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## NOTICE OF MOTION

(Motion for Review of Board Decision and Order on Cost Awards issued February 8, 2010)

THE INTERVENOR, Northwatch, will make a motion pursuant to Rules 8.02, 42

and 44 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, for review and variance

of the Ontario Energy Board ("Board")'s Decision and Order on Cost Awards

("Cost Decision"), issued on February 8, 2010, in relation to Northwatch's

Application for an Award of Costs ("Cost Application") in this Proceeding.

PROPOSED METHOD OF HEARING: Northwatch requests a written hearing.

### THE MOTION IS FOR:

- 1 An Order:
  - (a) for leave to waive the 20 calendar day requirement to serve and file
     this notice under Rule 42.03
  - (b) varying the Cost Decision issued on February 8, 2010 to correct the clerical error made by Northwatch at Appendix B Form 1 and award Northwatch its full costs in the amount of \$3,073.19, and
  - (c) such further and other relief as Northwatch's Counsel may request and this Board deem just.

### THE GROUNDS FOR THE MOTION ARE:

1 Northwatch is an intervenor in this proceeding and was found to be eligible for an award of costs.

2 Accordingly, on October 29, 2009 Northwatch filed a Cost Application in the amount of \$3,073.19.

3 On February 8, 2010 the Board issued a Cost Decision awarding costs to Northwatch in the amount of \$1,078.19. This was a recalculated amount based on a rate of \$100/hr. 4 Northwatch made an inadvertent clerical error on Appendix "B" Form 1 Summary Statement of Hours – Consultants and Legal Counsel in its Cost Application and named a Law Clerk instead of counsel for Northwatch.

5 All rates and amounts calculated at Appendix "B" Form 1 in the Cost Application are correct, as are all amounts calculated in the Affidavit at Appendix "B" Form 3, sworn on October 27, 2009. Further, Northwatch provided detailed time dockets for Ms. Juli Abouchar, Counsel for Northwatch, at Tab 6 of the Cost Application.

6 After learning of the error, Northwatch made several attempts to contact the Board and the Case Manager to advise of the error prior to the expiry of the 20 days to file a Motion for Review. The Case Manager was not available until March 1, 2010 due to illness.

7 Northwatch was informed by the Case Manager on March 1, 2010 to a Motion for Review in order to request a variance of the Cost Decision.

8 Other grounds include:

- (a) Ontario Energy Board Rules of Practice and Procedure (revised July 14, 2008).
- (b) Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Schedule B)
- (c) Statutory Powers and Procedure Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. S.22, and

Such further and other grounds and Counsel may request and this
 Board deem just.

### THE EVIDENCE TO BE USED AT THE MOTION:

9 Affidavit of Tracy Richards, sworn March 2, 2010 and Exhibits.

10 Such further and other evidence as Counsel may request and the Board deem just.

March 2, 2010

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## AFFIDAVIT OF TRACY RICHARDS

(Motion for Review of Board Decision and Order on Cost Awards issued February 8, 2010)

I, TRACY RICHARDS, of the City of Vaughan, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

1 I am a Law Clerk at Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP, and as such have knowledge of the matters herein deposed.

2 Juli Abouchar is a partner at Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP with whom I work. Ms. Abouchar is legal counsel to Northwatch in Board Proceeding EB-2009-0303.

3 On October 27, 2009 I prepared an Application for an Award of Costs on behalf of Northwatch ("Cost Application") for Board Proceeding EB-2009-0303.

4 On October 29, 2009 I served and filed the Cost Application with all participants and the Board. Attached hereto as Exhibit A to my affidavit is a true copy of the Cost Application submitted by Northwatch on October 29, 2009.

5 On February 8, 2010, I received a Decision and Order on Cost Awards ("Cost Decision") for Board Proceeding EB-2009-0303 that awarded \$1,078.19 to Northwatch. Attached hereto as Exhibit B to my affidavit is a true copy of the Board's Cost Decision.

6 I noticed a clerical error at Appendix "B" Form 1 of the Cost Application. The clerical error noted was such that my name (Tracy Richards) was listed on Form 1 instead of Northwatch's legal counsel, Ms. Abouchar. I further noticed that the Board had recalculated the cost award based on a Law Clerk rate of \$100/hr instead of Ms. Abouchar's rate of \$290/hr.

7 Mr. Abouchar was called to the Ontario Bar and the New Brunswick Bar in 1994. As such, Ms. Abouchar has 16+ years of experience and falls at a rate of \$290/hr according to the Board's Cost Award Tariff.

8 All time claimed by Northwatch in Board Proceeding EB-2009-0303 is time incurred by Ms. Abouchar. There was a clerical error in the name listed at Appendix B Form 1. All other calculations in the Cost Application of Northwatch are correct. The total claim for Northwatch is \$3,073.19.

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9 I made attempts to contact the Case Manager, Mr. Russ Holden, to advise of the error and recalculation. I understand that Mr. Holden was out of the office due to illness.

10 Mr. Holden returned my phone calls in the afternoon on March 1, 2010. I explained the error to Mr. Holden and he advised that Northwatch must file a Notice of Motion for Review of the Cost Decision and request leave to waive the 20 calendar day filing and service requirement in Rule 42.03.

11 Northwatch has since corrected the error t Appendix B Form 1 of the Cost Application. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit C to my affidavit is a revised Cost Application, wherein Form 1 has been amended to name Ms. Abouchar.

12 I make this affidavit in support of a motion to vary the Cost Decision issued by the Board on February 8, 2010 and to award Northwatch its costs of \$3,073.19.

**SWORN BEFORE ME** at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2010

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

(or as may be)

racy Richards

This is Exhibit "A" referred to in the Affidavit of Tracy Richards sworn before me, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2010.

A Commissioner for taking affidavits, etc.

EB-2009-0303

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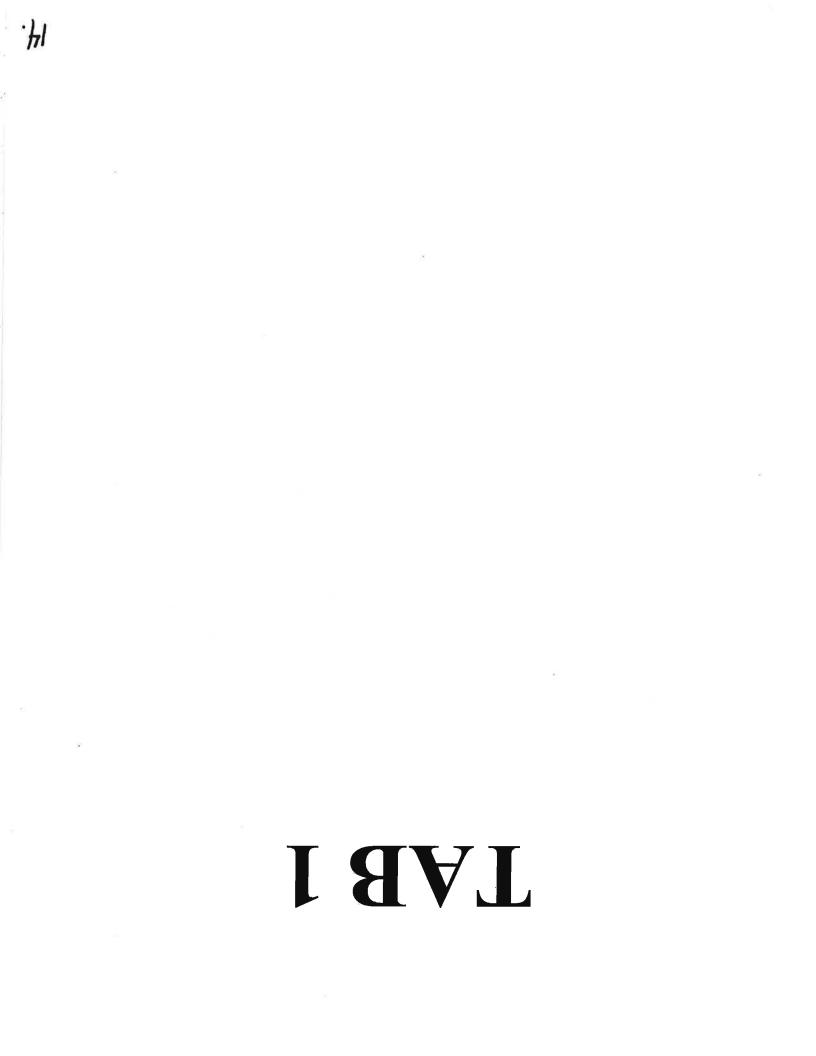
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August 12, 2009

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

### Re: Request for Eligibility for an Award of Costs EB-2009-0303 – Proposed Amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code

Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP is environmental legal counsel to Northwatch.

Northwatch has received the Notice of Proposal to Amend the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code, dated August 5, 2009. Accordingly, on behalf of Northwatch, we respectfully request herein intervenor status and eligibility to apply for an award of costs in accordance with the Ontario Energy Board's *Practice Directions on Cost Awards*.

Northwatch has a history of involvement in energy policy as detailed in detail below. Recently Northwatch has actively participated as intervenor and has been found eligible for an award of costs in the following OEB proceedings:

- The Integrated Power System Plan (IPSP) (EB-2007-0707)
- The Transmission Connection Cost Responsibility Review (EB-2008-0003)
- Proposed Amendments to the Distribution System Code (EB-2009-0077)
- The Regulatory Treatment of Infrastructure Investment for Ontario's Electricity Transmitters & Distribution (EB-2009-0152)



Given that Northwatch is an accepted intervenor in the Board proceeding on the Proposed Amendments to the Distribution System Code, EB-2009-0077, and the relationship between these two initiatives, Northwatch would like to submit comments on the proposed amendments to the RSC and DSC set out in Attachments A and B to the Notice.

Northwatch's main objective is to represent the public interest with respect to environmental protection, social justice, and resource management matters in northeastern Ontario. Its members are committed to promoting the health, well being and sustainability of the human and natural communities throughout the region.

Northwatch has made submissions on all of the above proceedings from the perspective of its north-eastern energy rate-payers and environmental/social interest groups. These perspectives are relevant in this proceeding.

Northwatch's contact is Ms. Brennain Lloyd, coordinator for Northwatch. Ms. Lloyd's contact information is as follows:

Courier Address:

Northwatch c/o Ms. Brennain Lloyd 1450 Ski Club Road North Bay, Ontario P1B 8H2

Tel.: (705) 497-0373 Fax: (705) 476-7060 Email: <u>northwatch@onlink.net</u> Website: <u>www.northwatch.org</u>

Mailing Address:

Northwatch c/o Ms. Brennain Lloyd Box 282 North Bay, Ontario P1B 8H2

### HOW NORTHWATCH IS OR MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RETAIL SETTLEMENT CODE AND THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CODE

Issues that have been raised at the IPSP hearing and in the Transmission Connection Cost Responsibility Review are equally appropriate to the Proposed Amendments to the retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code proceeding.

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For example, the residents and regions of northeastern Ontario will or may be affected by the Proposed Amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code in as far as they relate to:

- ability for people to install embedded generation, and
- promotion of renewable energy.

### **GROUNDS FOR NORTHWATCH ELIGIBILITY FOR COSTS**

Northwatch intends to seek costs from the applicant in relation to its participation in this review. The Ontario Energy Board's "*Practice Direction on Cost Awards*". Section 3 describes cost eligibility, and Section 4 describes the cost eligibility process.

3.03 A party in a Board process is eligible to apply for a cost award where the party:

(a) primarily represents the direct interests of consumers (e.g. ratepayers) in relation regulated services; (b) primarily represents a public interest relevant to the Board's mandate; or (c) is a person with an interest in land that is affected by the process.

Northwatch meets all three of the eligibility criteria, but as a public interest organization, its primary purpose - and its primary contribution to the stakeholder review process - is with respect to (b).

Northwatch's primary purpose is to represent the public interest with respect to environmental protection and resource management matters in northeastern Ontario. However, as a coalition of interests which includes those represented by social organizations, Northwatch also has an interest and a relevant perspective with respect to consumer concerns, many of which are unique in northeastern Ontario, relative to a provincial or more urban context (i.e. criteria a).

Northwatch represents the interests of the environment, and of the residents of northeastern Ontario who identify and express environmental concerns; it is within the mandate of the Ontario Energy Board to consider such matters as the effect on the environment (i.e. criteria b). Further, our members have an interest in the land that is or may be affected by the process (i.e. criteria c). That interest may in some cases be a private interest, but in every case is also a public interest.

Northwatch will make a responsible, unique and beneficial contribution to the Ontario Energy Board's proceeding.

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### EXISTING SOURCES OF FUNDING

Northwatch's core funding comes from memberships and donations, which are under \$5000 per year, on average. Other project-specific funding is provided by a small number of charitable foundations or is contracted on a fee for service basis. The majority of the current years' funding is dedicated to Northwatch's Forest Project, which supports public participation in forest management planning throughout northeastern Ontario.

#### FORM OF SUBMISSION/CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Northwatch intends to provide written comment in this proceeding.

Northwatch understands that a responsible intervention will add value and is deserving of costs.

Contacts for the distribution list are as follows:

- Brennain Lloyd, coordinator for Northwatch, e-mail: northwatch@onlink.net
- Juli Abouchar, Counsel, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers, e-mail: jabouchar@willmsshier.com
- Tracy Richards, Law Clerk, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers, e-mail: trichards@willmsshier.com

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to a positive response to this request for costs eligibility and to participating in this proceeding.

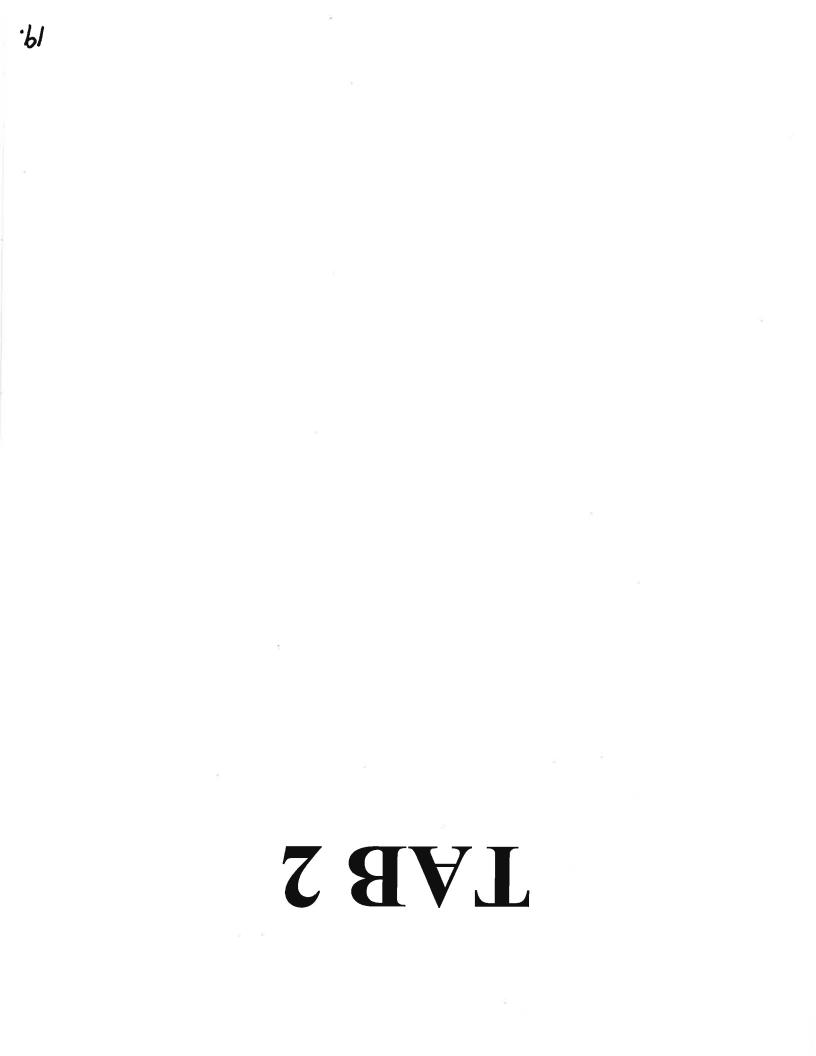
Yours truly,

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Juli Abouchar Partner, W+SEL Certified as a Specialist in Environmental Law by the Law Society of Upper Canada

cc: Brennain Lloyd, Northwatch

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## APPENDIX "A" COST AWARD TARIFF

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### COST AWARD TARIFF

#### NOTE: All tariffs are exclusive of applicable GST.

#### **Legal Fees -Hourly Rates**

Provider of Legal Services	Completed Years Practising	Maximum Hourly Rate
Lawyer	20+	\$330
Lawyer	11 to 19	\$290
Lawyer	6 to 10	\$230
Lawyer	0 to 5	\$170
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#### Analyst/Consultant Fees -Hourly Rates

Consultants are experts in aspects of business or science such as finance, economics, accounting, engineering or the natural sciences such as geology, ecology, agronomy, etc.

Time spent providing expert evidence, providing expert professional advice to the Board, or acting as an expert witness will be compensated at the appropriate analyst/consultant rate set out in the table below. A copy of the expert's curriculum vitae must be attached to the cost claim.

If a consultant provides case management services, these hours are to be listed separately and will be compensated at the case management rate.

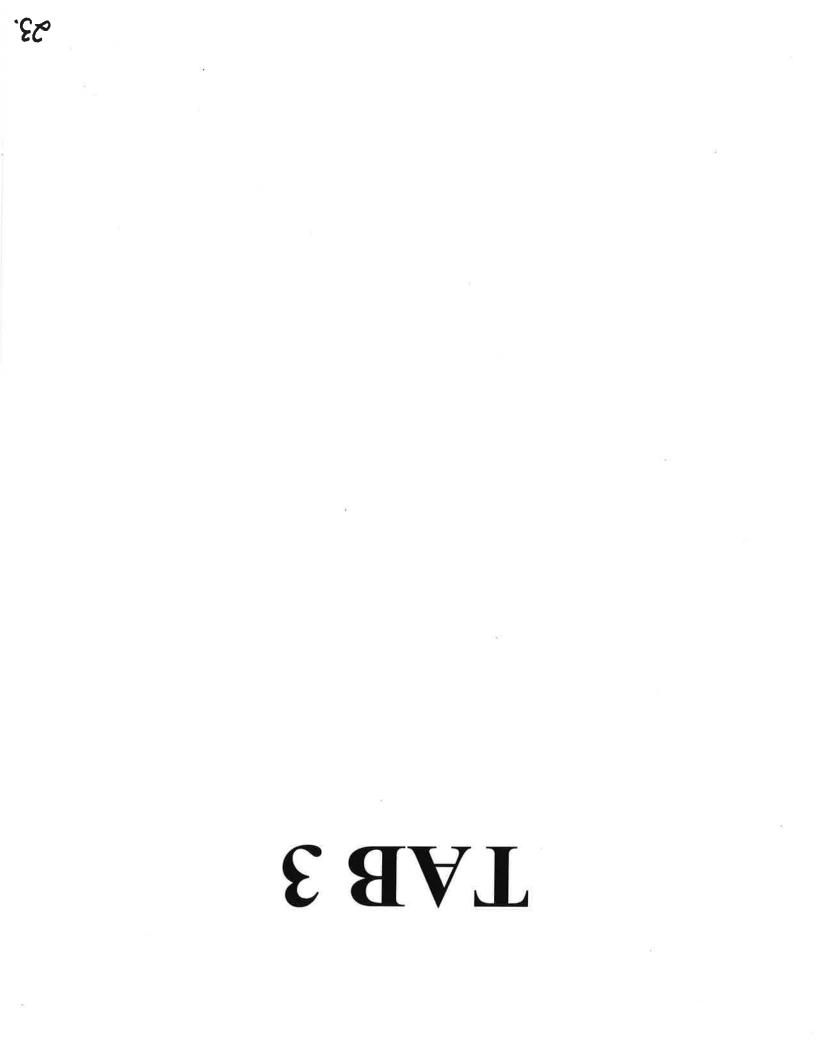
### Analyst/Consultant Fees (including Case Management)

Provider of Service	Years of Relevant Experience	Maximum Hourly Rate
Analyst/consultant	20+	\$330
Analyst/consultant	11 to 19	\$290
Analyst/consultant	6 to 10	\$230
Analyst/consultant	0 to 5	\$170
Case Management	1	\$170

#### Disbursements

Reasonable disbursements, such as postage, photocopying, transcript costs, travel and accommodation, directly related to the party's participation in the process, will be allowed. Receipts substantiating the disbursement must accompany the cost claim where possible.

- 1. Travel by personal automobile will be paid at the Ontario Government Rate.
- 2. Travel expenses, including reasonable meal and accommodation expenses will be allowed when the claimant's place of business is located at, or more than, 100 km from the site of the process.
- 3. Taxi, rental car and airport limousine claims will be accepted.
- 4. Air and rail travel will be limited to "economy" fare rates.
- 5. Claims for single occupancy rooms at a hotel will be accepted. This does not include "luxury" hotels or suites.
- 6. Reasonable meal expenses will be accepted.



## APPENDIX "B" FORM 1 SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HOURS

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### **APPENDIX "B"**

### FORM 1

# SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HOURS - CONSULTANTS AND LEGAL COUNSEL

A separate form is required for each consultant or legal counsel

EB-2009-0303 Board File Number

Northwatch Party Name

Sub-total

\$2,900.00

Tracy Richards, Law Clerk Legal Counsel Name

### Year of Call

Years of Relevant Experience

(curriculum vitae must be attached)

**Hourly Rate** 

\$290.00

Hours

10.0

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Law Firm

**Consultant Firm** 

· Total

\$3,045.00

Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP

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\$145.00

Consultant Name

Preparation

**Attendance – Technical Conference** 

Attendance – Settlement Conference

Attendance - Oral Hearing

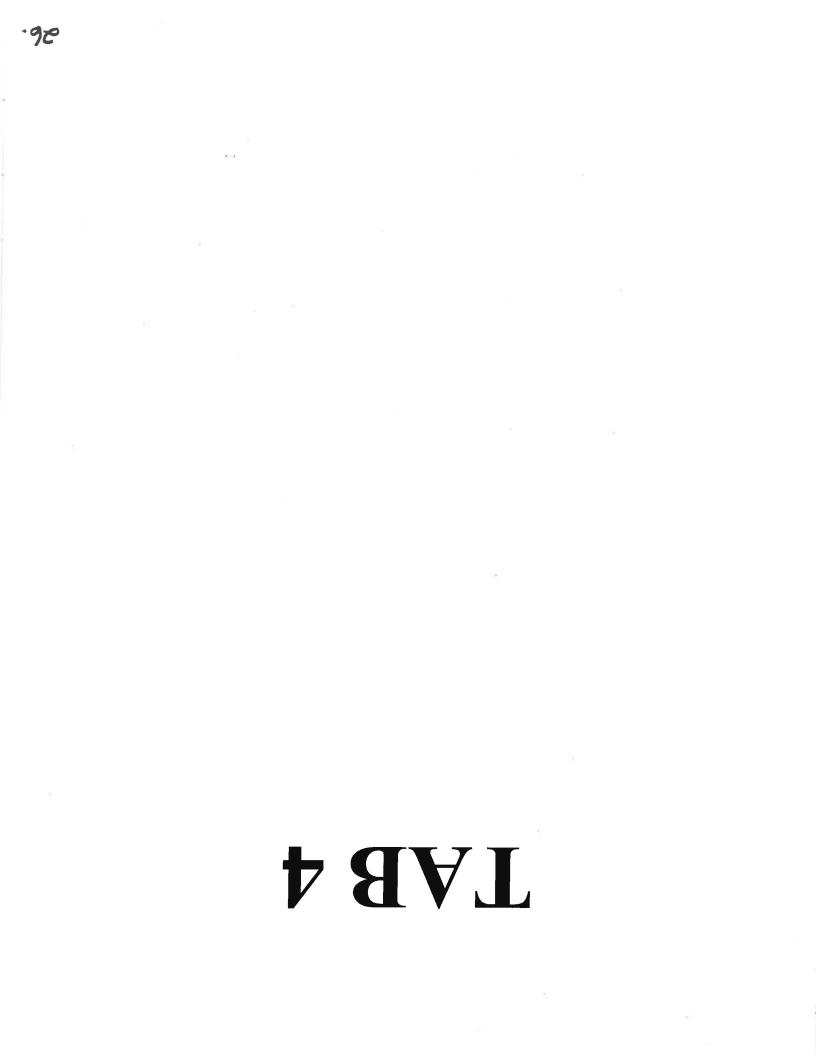
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TOTALS

\$2,900.00 \$145.00 \$3,045.00 Note: All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state the exchange rate , and country of initial currency Document #: 272855

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## APPENDIX "B" FORM 2 SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

## **APPENDIX "B"**

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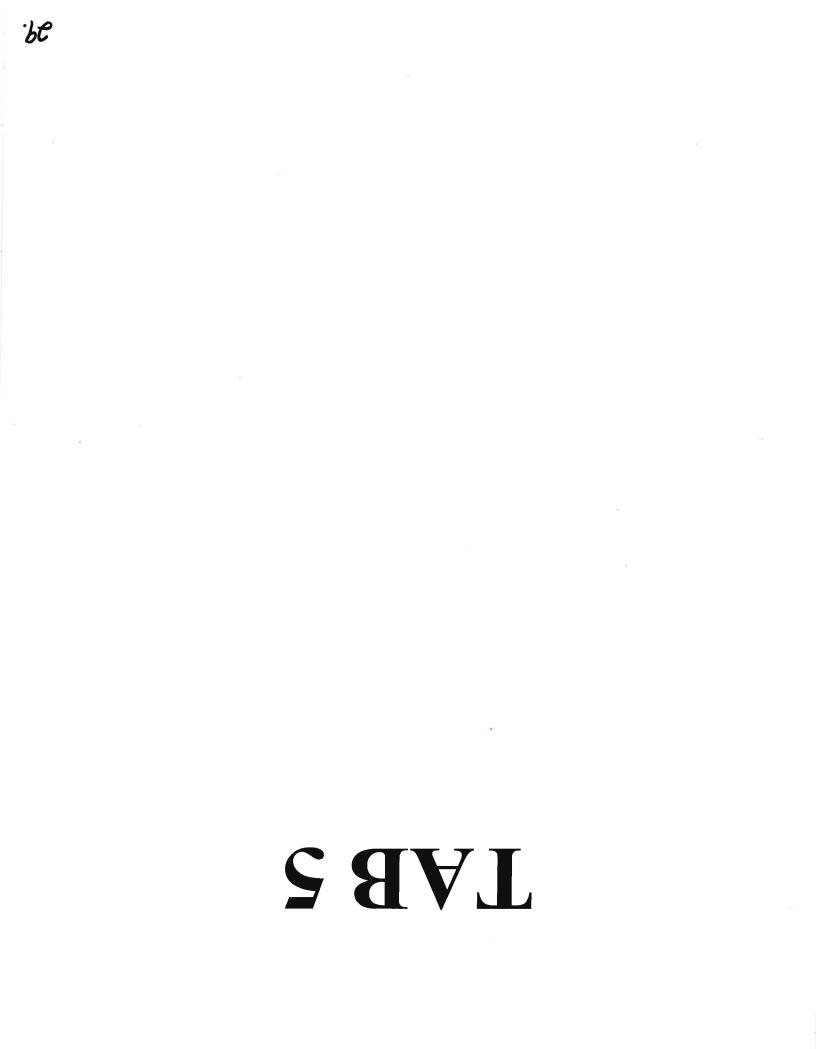
## SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

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Board File Numb	er	Party Name			
Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP					
Party or Group that made the disbursement					
	Net Cost	GST			
Photocopies	\$26.85	\$1.34			
Printing					
Fax					
Courier					
Telephone					
Postage					
Transcripts					
Travel: Air					
Travel: Car					
Travel: Rail	-	ж	-		
Travel: Other ()					
Taxi or Airport Limo					
Accommodation					
Meals					
Other ()			Grand Total		
Sub-totals	\$26.85	\$1.34	\$28.19		
Notes: 1. All claims for disbursements 2. All claims must be in Canadi	must include receipts where practic ian dollars. If applicable state excha		ry of initial currency.		

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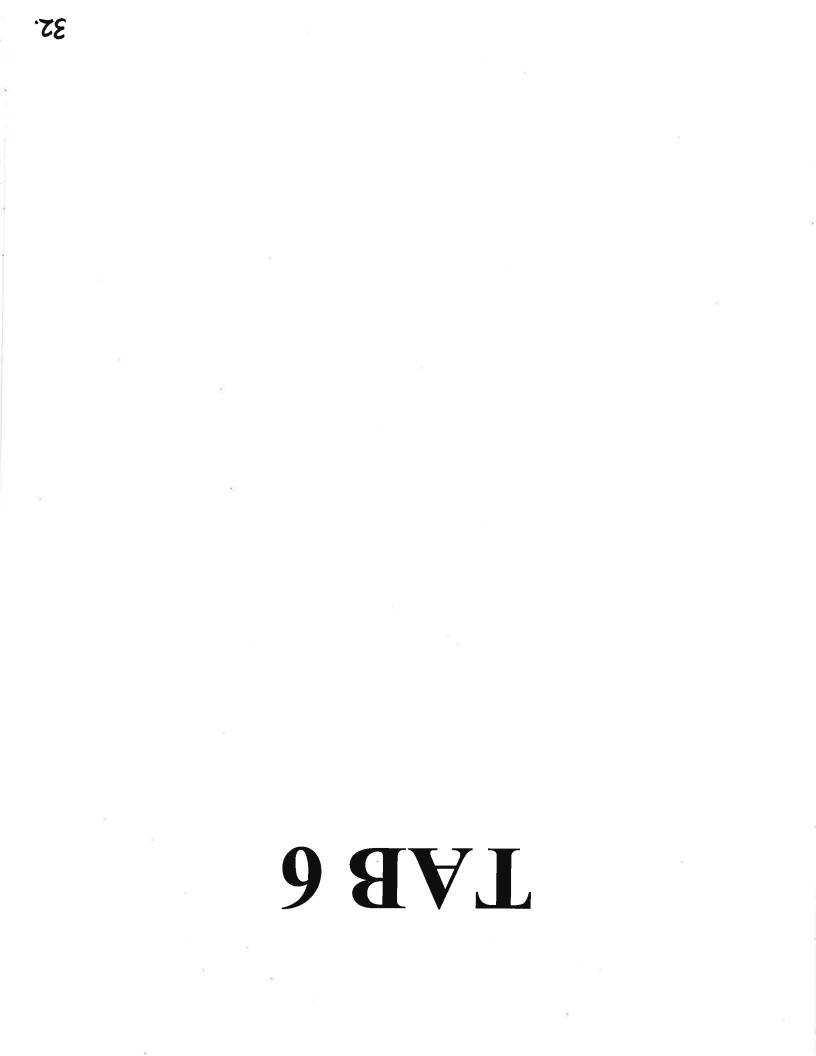
APPENDIX "B" FORM 3 AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF COSTS CLAIM

### **APPENDIX "B"**

### FORM 3

## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF COST CLAIM

EB-2009-0303	Northwatch
Board File Number	Party Name
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Net Sub-Total #5 Total GST Claimed \$ 2,926. 85 \$ 146.34	Total Cost Claim \$_3,073. M
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<ul> <li>attested to herein.</li> <li>I have examined the above Cost Claim and The above Cost Claim represents only constitution of its intervention in the Ontario Energy 4.</li> </ul>	party (the "party") and as such have knowledge of the matters and all of the documentation in support of it. asts incurred directly and necessarily by the party for the purpose Board process (the file number of which is set out above). ny costs incurred for work done, or time spent, by employees or on 6.05 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.
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COMMISSIONER for taking Affidavit	s Signature of Deponent
Tracy Lynn Richards, a Commissioner, etc.,	
City of Toronto, for Willims & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP, Expires July 16, 2011,	2-18 <sup>1</sup> .



## APPENDIX "C" LAWYER & CONSULTANT FEES (TIME DOCKETS)

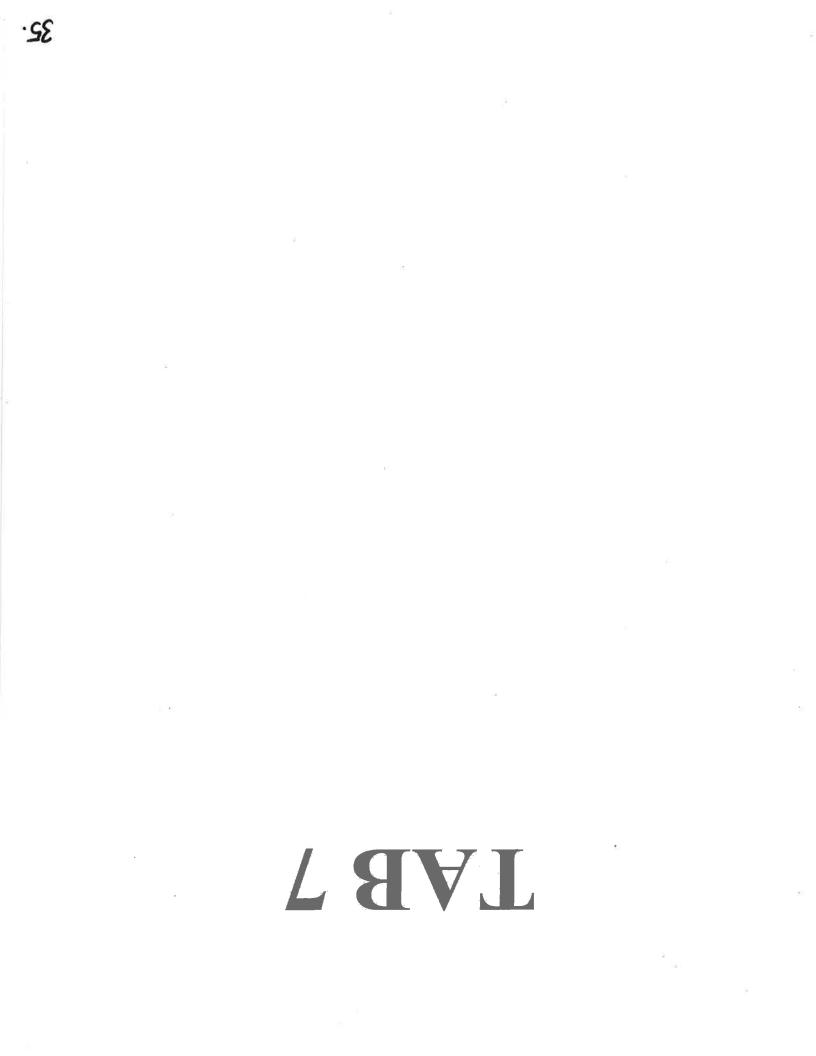
# Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP Client Fees Listing

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Aug 24/2009 961765	Lawyer: 31 3.50 Hrs X 290.00 Orepare submissions to OEB	31 31 - JULI ABOUCHAR	3.50 1015.00

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Aug	25/2009	Lawyer: 31 2.20 Hrs X 290.00 telephone call B. Robertson, OEB;	31	31	- JULI ABOUCHAR	2.20	638
Aug		prepare comments Lawyer: 31 4.30 Hrs X 290.00 review comments from B. Lloyd; finalise comments to the OEB;	31	31	- JULI ABOUCHAR	4.30	1247



# APPENDIX "D" DISBURSEMENTS

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This is Exhibit "B" referred to in the Affidavit of Tracy Richards sworn before me, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2010.

A Commissioner for taking affidavits, etc.

Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'Énergie de l'Ontario



### EB 2009-0303

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF cost awards for eligible participants in relation to a consultation process relating to amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code associated with the settlement and billing of renewable embedded retail generation facilities.

BEFORE: Paul Sommerville Presiding Member

### **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

### Background

On August 5, 2009, the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") issued a Notice of Proposed Amendments to a Code (the "August Notice") concerning proposed amendments to the Retail Settlement Code (the "RSC") and the Distribution System Code (the "DSC") regarding the settlement and billing of renewable embedded retail generation facilities. The August Notice indicated that cost awards would be available to eligible persons under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") in relation to the provision of comments on the proposed amendments, to a maximum of 10 hours, and that any costs awarded would be recovered from all licensed electricity distributors based on their respective distribution revenues. This notice and comment process was completed with the adoption by the Board of amendments to the RSC and the DSC, as set out in the Board's Notice of Amendment to a Code issued on September 21, 2009.

In accordance with the Board's August 24, 2009 Decision on Cost Eligibility, the following participants were found to be eligible for an award of costs in relation to their participation in this consultation process: Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters; Consumers Council of Canada; Northwatch; National Chief's Office on Behalf of the Assembly for First Nations; London Property Management Association; and School Energy Coalition (collectively, the "eligible participants").

On October 8, 2009, the Board issued a Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards (the "October Notice") initiating a hearing on its own motion in order to determine the cost awards that will be made under section 30 of the Act in relation to this consultation process. All of the eligible participants submitted cost claims within the timelines specified in the October Notice. No objections to the cost claims were received from electricity distributors.

### Board Findings on the Cost Claims of the Eligible Participants

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and finds that the cost claims filed by each of the eligible participants are within the maximum set by the Board in the August Notice.

With respect to the cost claim filed by Northwatch, the supporting documentation indicates that the services to which the cost claim relates were performed by a law clerk. However, the hourly tariff rate applied to those services is the tariff rate applicable to a lawyer. The Board has therefore reduced Northwatch's cost claim to reflect the application of the appropriate tariff rate, which is the rate applicable to paralegals.

Subject to this adjustment, the Board finds that each of the eligible participants is entitled to 100% of its reasonably incurred costs for participating in this consultation process.

The amount payable by each individual licensed rate-regulated distributor in relation to the costs awarded to each eligible participant is listed in Appendix A to this Decision and Order.

### **Process for Paying Cost Awards**

As stated in the August Notice, the Board will use the process set out in section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* to implement the payment of the cost awards. Therefore, the Board will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards relating to this consultation process. Invoices will be issued to distributors at the same time as are invoices for cost assessments made under section 26 of the Act. The practice of the Board is to issue to each distributor one invoice that covers all cost awards payable by the distributor for the relevant period. As a result, the invoice may cover cost awards payable in relation to a number of consultations, including this one.

### THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The amounts to be paid by each individual distributor in relation to the costs awarded to each eligible participant are as set out in Appendix A to this Decision and Order.
- 2. The individual distributors listed in Appendix A to this Decision and Order shall pay the costs awarded to each of the eligible participants as set out in Appendix A.
- 3. Payment of cost awards referred to in paragraph 2 shall be made to the Ontario Energy Board in accordance with the invoice issued to the individual distributor and shall be due at the same time as cost assessments under section 26 of the Act are due.

DATED at Toronto, February 8, 2010.

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

Ontario Energy Board

# Appendix A

# To the Board's Decision and Order on Cost Awards Dated February 8, 2010

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Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator		000					
	CME	222	NCO	Northwatch	LPMA	SEC	Total Intervenor Costs
ATIKOKAN HYDRO INC.	0.82	0,70	1.19	0.36	0.95	1.01	5.03
ATTAWAPISKAT POWER CORP.	0.80	0.69	1.16		0.92	0.98	
BARRIE HYDRO DISTRIBUTION INC.	26.31	22.50	38.07		30.32	32.32	
BLUEWATER POWER DISTRIBUTION CORP.	14.80	12.66	21.41		17.05	18.18	
BRANT COUNTY POWER INC.	5.53	4.73	8.00		6.37	6.79	
BRANTFORD POWER INC.	14.30	12.23	20.69		16.48	17.57	87.61
BURLINGTON HYDRO INC.	25.87	22.12	37.42		29.80	31.77	158.45
CAMBRIDGE AND NORTH DUMFRIES HYDRO INC.	19.94	17.05	28.84		22.98	24.49	
CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.	13.74	11.75	19.87		15.83	16.87	
CENTRE WELLINGTON HYDRO LTD.	2.31	1.98	3.35		2.67	2.84	
CHAPLEAU PUBLIC UTILITIES CORP.	0.54	0.46	0.78		0.62	0.66	
CHATHAM-KENT HYDRO INC.	12.85	10.99	18.59		14.81	15.79	
CLINTON POWER CORP.	0.49	0.42	0.71		0.57	0.61	
COLLUS POWER CORP.	4.40	3.77	6.37		5.07	5.41	
COOPERATIVE HYDRO EMBRUN INC.	0.56	0.48	0.81		0.65	0.69	
DUTTON HYDRO LTD.	0.11	0.10	0.17		0.13	0.03	
E.L.K. ENERGY INC.	3.54	3.03	5.12		4.08	4.35	
ENERSOURCE HYDRO MISSISSAUGA INC.	108.68	92.94	157.22		125.23	133.50	
ENWIN POWERLINES LTD.	41.23	35.26	59.64		47.50	50.64	
ERIE THAMES POWERLINES CORP.	7.00	5.99	10.13		8.07	8.60	
ESPANOLA REGIONAL HYDRO DISTRIBUTION CORP.	1.15	0.99	1.67	0.51	1.33	1.42	
ESSEX POWERLINES CORP.	9,19	7.86	13.29		10.59	11.29	
FESTIVAL HYDRO INC.	8.75	7.49	12.66		10.09	10.75	
FORT ALBANY POWER CORP.	0.51	0.44	0,74		0.59	0.63	
FORT FRANCES POWER CORP.	1.31	1.12	1.89		1.51	1.61	
GREAT LAKES POWER LTD.	12.18	10,41	17.62		14.03	14.96	
GREATER SUDBURY HYDRO INC.	19.84	16.97	28.70		22.86	24.37	
GRIMSBY POWER INC.	3.12	2.67	4.52		3.60	3.83	
GUELPH HYDRO ELECTRIC SYSTEMS INC.	22.14	18.93	32.02		25.51	27.19	
HALDIMAND COUNTY HYDRO INC.	11.22	9.60	16.23		12.93	13.78	
HALTON HILLS HYDRO INC.	7.91	6.77	11.45		9.12	9.72	
HORIZON UTILITIES CORPORATION	79.90	68.33	115.59		92.07	98.15	

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HYDRO HAWKESBURY INC.	1.15	0.98	1.66	0.51	1.32	1.41	7.03
HEARST POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LTD.	0.84	0.72	1.22	0.37	0.97	1.04	5.16
HYDRO 2000 INC.	0.23	0.20	0.33	0.10	0.26	0,28	1.40
HYDRO ONE BRAMPTON NETWORKS INC.	57.73	49.37	83.52	25.60	66.52	70,91	353.65
HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.	841.44	719.54	1,217.23	373.24	969.54	1,033.59	5,154.58
HYDRO OTTAWA LTD.	116.97	100.03	169.22	51.88	134.78	143.68	716.56
INNISFIL HYDRO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS LTD.	6.18	5.28	8.93	2.74	7.12	7.59	37.84
KASHECHEWAN POWER CORP.	0.47	0.41	0.69	0.21	0.55	0.58	2.91
KENORA HYDRO ELECTRIC CORPORATION LTD.	1.85	1.58	2.68	0.82	2.13	2.28	11.34
KINGSTON ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION LTD.	9.58	8.19	13.86	4.25	11.04	11.77	58.69
KITCHENER-WILMOT HYDRO INC.	31.24	26.72	45.20	13.86	36.00	38.38	191.40
LAKEFRONT UTILITIES INC.	3.10	2.65	4.48	1.37	3.57	3.81	18.98
LAKELAND POWER DISTRIBUTION LTD.	3.68	3.15	5.33	1.63	4.24	4.52	22.55
LONDON HYDRO INC.	49.16	42.04	71.12	21.80	56.64	60.39	301.15
MIDDLESEX POWER DISTRIBUTION CORP.	2.68	2.29	3.88	1.19	3.09	3.29	16.42
MIDLAND POWER UTILITY CORP.	2.67	2.29	3.87	1.19	3.08	3.28	16.38
MILTON HYDRO DISTRIBUTION INC.	9.76	8.35	14.12	4.33	11.24	11.99	59.79
NEWBURY POWER INC.	0.07	0.06	0.10	0.03	0.08	0.08	0.42
NEWMARKET - TAY POWER DISTRIBUTION LTD.	14.50	12.40	20.98	6.43	16.71	17.81	88.83
NIAGARA PENINSULA ENERGY INC.	24.47	20.93	35.40	10.85	28.20	30.06	149.91
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE HYDRO INC.	4.38	3.75	6.34	1.94	5.05	5.38	26.84
NORFOLK POWER DISTRIBUTION INC.	8.54	7.30	12.35	3.79	9.84	10.49	52.31
NORTH BAY HYDRO DISTRIBUTION LTD.	9.41	8.04	13.61	4.17	10.84	11.55	57.62
NORTHERN ONTARIO WIRES INC.	2.08	1.78	3.02	0.92	2.40	2.56	12.76
OAKVILLE HYDRO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION INC.	27.01	23.10	39.07	11.98	31.12	33.17	165.45
ORANGEVILLE HYDRO LTD.	4.11	3.52	5.95	1.82	4.74	5.05	25.19
ORILLIA POWER DISTRIBUTION CORP.	5.90	5.05	8.54	2.62	6.80	7.25	36.16
OSHAWA PUC NETWORKS INC.	16.90	14.45	24.44	7.49	19.47	20.76	103.51
OTTAWA RIVER POWER CORP.	3.29	2.82	4.76	1.46	3.79	4.04	20.16
PARRY SOUND POWER CORP.	1.70	1.45	2.46	0.75	1.96	2.09	10.41
PETERBOROUGH DISTRIBUTION INC.	11.64	9.95	16.83	5.16	13.41	14.29	71.28
POWERSTREAM INC.	108.74	93.00	157.31	48.23	125.30	133.58	666.16
PUC DISTRIBUTION INC.	11.33	9.69	16.38	5.02	13.05	13.91	69.38
RENFREW HYDRO INC.	1.49	1.27	2.15	0.66	1.71	1.83	9.11
RIDEAU ST. LAWRENCE DISTRIBUTION INC.	1.45	1.24	2.09	0.64	1.67	1.78	8.87
ST. THOMAS ENERGY INC.	5.76	4.92	8.33	2.55	6.63	7.07	35.26
SIOUX LOOKOUT HYDRO INC.	1.37	1.17	1.98	0.61	1.58	1.68	8.39

THUNDER BAY HYDRO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION INC.	15.27	13.06	22.09	6.77	17.59	18.76	93.54
TILLSONBURG HYDRO INC.	2.38	2.04	3.45	1.06	2.75	2.93	14.61
TORONTO HYDRO-ELECTRIC SYSTEM LTD.	421.10	360.12	609.18	186.76	485.22	517.27	2,579.65
VERIDIAN CONNECTIONS INC.	40.35	34.51	58.38	17.90	46,50	49.57	247.21
WASAGA DISTRIBUTION INC.	3.09	2.64	4.47	1.37	3.56	3.80	18.93
WATERLOO NORTH HYDRO INC.	23.49	20.09	33.98	10.42	27.06	28.85	
WELLAND HYDRO-ELECTRIC SYSTEM CORP.	6.90	5.90	9.99	3.06	7.96	8.48	143.89
WELLINGTON NORTH POWER INC.	1.14	0.98	1.65	0.51	1.32	1.40	42.29
WEST COAST HURON ENERGY INC.	1.49	1.28	2.16	0.66	1.72	1.40	7.00
WEST PERTH POWER INC.	0.70	0.60	1.01	0.31	0.81		9.15
WESTARIO POWER INC.	7.40	6.32	10.70	3.28	8.52	0.86	4.29
WHITBY HYDRO ELECTRIC CORP.	17.66	15.10	25.54	7.83	20.34	9.08	45.30
WOODSTOCK HYDRO SERVICES INC.	6.13	5.25	8.87			21.69	108.16
	0.15	5.25	0.07	2.72	7.07	7.54	37.58

Total, Electricity Distributors

\$ 2,431.01 \$ 2,079.00 \$ 3,516.82 \$ 1,078.19 \$ 2,801.19 \$ 2,986.20 \$ 14,892.41

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A Commissioner for taking affidavits, etc.

### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF cost award eligibility for interested parties in a consultation process regarding proposed amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code associated with the settlement and billing of renewable embedded retail generation facilities.

### REVISED

# APPLICATION FOR AN AWARD OF COSTS ON BEHALF OF THE INTERVENOR, NORTHWATCH

Revised: March 1, 2010

October 29, 2009

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# ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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# **TAB 1**



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August 12, 2009

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

### Re: Request for Eligibility for an Award of Costs EB-2009-0303 – Proposed Amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code

Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP is environmental legal counsel to Northwatch.

Northwatch has received the Notice of Proposal to Amend the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code, dated August 5, 2009. Accordingly, on behalf of Northwatch, we respectfully request herein intervenor status and eligibility to apply for an award of costs in accordance with the Ontario Energy Board's *Practice Directions on Cost Awards*.

Northwatch has a history of involvement in energy policy as detailed in detail below. Recently Northwatch has actively participated as intervenor and has been found eligible for an award of costs in the following OEB proceedings:

- The Integrated Power System Plan (IPSP) (EB-2007-0707)
- The Transmission Connection Cost Responsibility Review (EB-2008-0003)
- Proposed Amendments to the Distribution System Code (EB-2009-0077)
- The Regulatory Treatment of Infrastructure Investment for Ontario's Electricity Transmitters & Distribution (EB-2009-0152)



Given that Northwatch is an accepted intervenor in the Board proceeding on the Proposed Amendments to the Distribution System Code, EB-2009-0077, and the relationship between these two initiatives, Northwatch would like to submit comments on the proposed amendments to the RSC and DSC set out in Attachments A and B to the Notice.

Northwatch's main objective is to represent the public interest with respect to environmental protection, social justice, and resource management matters in northeastern Ontario. Its members are committed to promoting the health, well being and sustainability of the human and natural communities throughout the region.

Northwatch has made submissions on all of the above proceedings from the perspective of its north-eastern energy rate-payers and environmental/social interest groups. These perspectives are relevant in this proceeding.

Northwatch's contact is Ms. Brennain Lloyd, coordinator for Northwatch. Ms. Lloyd's contact information is as follows:

Courier Address:

Northwatch c/o Ms. Brennain Lloyd 1450 Ski Club Road North Bay, Ontario P1B 8H2

Tel.: (705) 497-0373 Fax: (705) 476-7060 Email: <u>northwatch@onlink.net</u> Website: <u>www.northwatch.org</u>

Mailing Address:

Northwatch c/o Ms. Brennain Lloyd Box 282 North Bay, Ontario P1B 8H2

### HOW NORTHWATCH IS OR MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RETAIL SETTLEMENT CODE AND THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CODE

Issues that have been raised at the IPSP hearing and in the Transmission Connection Cost Responsibility Review are equally appropriate to the Proposed Amendments to the retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code proceeding.

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For example, the residents and regions of northeastern Ontario will or may be affected by the Proposed Amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code in as far as they relate to:

- ability for people to install embedded generation, and
- promotion of renewable energy.

### **GROUNDS FOR NORTHWATCH ELIGIBILITY FOR COSTS**

Northwatch intends to seek costs from the applicant in relation to its participation in this review. The Ontario Energy Board's "*Practice Direction on Cost Awards*". Section 3 describes cost eligibility, and Section 4 describes the cost eligibility process.

3.03 A party in a Board process is eligible to apply for a cost award where the party:

(a) primarily represents the direct interests of consumers (e.g. ratepayers) in relation regulated services; (b) primarily represents a public interest relevant to the Board's mandate; or (c) is a person with an interest in land that is affected by the process.

Northwatch meets all three of the eligibility criteria, but as a public interest organization, its primary purpose - and its primary contribution to the stakeholder review process - is with respect to (b).

Northwatch's primary purpose is to represent the public interest with respect to environmental protection and resource management matters in northeastern Ontario. However, as a coalition of interests which includes those represented by social organizations, Northwatch also has an interest and a relevant perspective with respect to consumer concerns, many of which are unique in northeastern Ontario, relative to a provincial or more urban context (i.e. criteria a).

Northwatch represents the interests of the environment, and of the residents of northeastern Ontario who identify and express environmental concerns; it is within the mandate of the Ontario Energy Board to consider such matters as the effect on the environment (i.e. criteria b). Further, our members have an interest in the land that is or may be affected by the process (i.e. criteria c). That interest may in some cases be a private interest, but in every case is also a public interest.

Northwatch will make a responsible, unique and beneficial contribution to the Ontario Energy Board's proceeding.

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### **EXISTING SOURCES OF FUNDING**

Northwatch's core funding comes from memberships and donations, which are under \$5000 per year, on average. Other project-specific funding is provided by a small number of charitable foundations or is contracted on a fee for service basis. The majority of the current years' funding is dedicated to Northwatch's Forest Project, which supports public participation in forest management planning throughout northeastern Ontario.

### FORM OF SUBMISSION/CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Northwatch intends to provide written comment in this proceeding.

Northwatch understands that a responsible intervention will add value and is deserving of costs.

Contacts for the distribution list are as follows:

- Brennain Lloyd, coordinator for Northwatch, e-mail: northwatch@onlink.net
- Juli Abouchar, Counsel, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers, e-mail: jabouchar@willmsshier.com
- Tracy Richards, Law Clerk, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers, e-mail: trichards@willmsshier.com

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to a positive response to this request for costs eligibility and to participating in this proceeding.

Yours truly,

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Juli Abouchar Partner, W+SEL Certified as a Specialist in Environmental Law by the Law Society of Upper Canada

cc: Brennain Lloyd, Northwatch

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# APPENDIX "A" COST AWARD TARIFF

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### **APPENDIX "A"**

### COST AWARD TARIFF

### NOTE: All tariffs are exclusive of applicable GST.

### Legal Fees -Hourly Rates

Provider of Legal Services	Completed Years Practising	Maximum Hourly Rate
Lawyer	20+	\$330
Lawyer	11 to 19	\$290
Lawyer	6 to 10	\$230
Lawyer	0 to 5	\$170
Articling Student/Paralegal	-	\$100

### Analyst/Consultant Fees -Hourly Rates

Consultants are experts in aspects of business or science such as finance, economics, accounting, engineering or the natural sciences such as geology, ecology, agronomy, etc.

Time spent providing expert evidence, providing expert professional advice to the Board, or acting as an expert witness will be compensated at the appropriate analyst/consultant rate set out in the table below. A copy of the expert's curriculum vitae must be attached to the cost claim.

If a consultant provides case management services, these hours are to be listed separately and will be compensated at the case management rate.

### Analyst/Consultant Fees (including Case Management)

Provider of Service	Years of Relevant Experience	Maximum Hourly Rate
Analyst/consultant	20+	\$330
Analyst/consultant	11 to 19	\$290
Analyst/consultant	6 to 10	\$230
Analyst/consultant	0 to 5	\$170
Case Management	19	\$170

### Disbursements

Reasonable disbursements, such as postage, photocopying, transcript costs, travel and accommodation, directly related to the party's participation in the process, will be allowed. Receipts substantiating the disbursement must accompany the cost claim where possible.

- 1. Travel by personal automobile will be paid at the Ontario Government Rate.
- 2. Travel expenses, including reasonable meal and accommodation expenses will be allowed when the claimant's place of business is located at, or more than, 100 km from the site of the process.
- . 3. Taxi, rental car and airport limousine claims will be accepted.
  - 4. Air and rail travel will be limited to "economy" fare rates.
  - 5. Claims for single occupancy rooms at a hotel will be accepted. This does not include "luxury" hotels or suites.
  - 6. Reasonable meal expenses will be accepted.

**TAB 3** 

# APPENDIX "B" FORM 1 SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HOURS

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### APPENDIX "B"

# FORM 1

# SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HOURS - CONSULTANTS AND LEGAL COUNSEL

A separate form is required for each consultant or legal counsel

EB-2009-0303 Board File Number			Northwatch Party Name				
Tracy Richards, Law Clerk			Willins &	Shier Environmenta	l Lawyers LLP		
Legal Counsel Name		Year of Call		L	aw Firm		
Consultant Name		Relevant Experience m vitae must be attached		Cons	sultant Firm		
	Hours	Hourly Rate	Sub-total	GST	Total		
Preparation	10.0	\$290.00	\$2,900.00	\$145.00	\$3,045.00		
Attendance – Technical Conference							
Attendance – Settlement Conference							
Attendance – Oral Hearing							
Argument							
Case Management							
TOTALS	10.0	\$290.00	\$2,900.00	\$145.00	\$3,045.00		
Note: All claims must be in Canadian dollars	. If applicable, stat	e the exchange rate	, and country o	f initial currency	×		
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## APPENDIX "B" FORM 1

# SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HOURS – CONSULTANTS AND LEGAL COUNSEL

A separate form is required for each consultant or legal counsel

EB-2009-0303	1 FOR			Northwatch		
Board File Number	er		F	arty Name		
Juli Abouchar		1994 (Ont. NB)	Will	ms & Shier Enviro	nmental Lawyers LLP	
Legal Counsel Name	5	Year of Call			Law Firm	
Consultant Name		s of Relevant Experi- culum vitae must be attac			Consultant Firm	
	Hours	Hourly Rate	Sub-total	GST	Total	
Preparation	10.0	\$290.00	\$2,900.00	\$145.00	\$3,045.00	
Attendance – Technical Conference						
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Argument				17	Ŀ	
Case Management						
TOTALS	10.0	\$290.00	\$2,900.00	\$145.00	\$3,045.00	
Note: All claims must be in Canadian d	lollars. If applicable	, state the exchange rate	, and con	untry of initial curren	cy	

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# APPENDIX "B" FORM 2 SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

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# **APPENDIX "B"**

# FORM 2

# SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

EB-2009-0303		Northw	vatch
Board File Number		Party ]	Name
Willm	s & Shier Environmental	Lawyers LLP	
Party	or Group that made the d	lisbursement	
	Net Cost	GST	
Photocopies	\$26.85	\$1.34	
Printing			
Fax			
Courier	7		
Telephone			
Postage			
Transcripts			
Travel: Air			
Travel: Car			
Travel: Rail		¥1	
Travel: Other ()		i -	
Taxi or Airport Limo			
Accommodation		Ř.	
Mcals			
Other ()			Grand Total
Sub-totals	\$26.85	\$1.34	\$28.19

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**TAB 5** 

APPENDIX "B" FORM 3 AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF COSTS CLAIM

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# APPENDIX "B"

### FORM 3

## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF COST CLAIM

Legal/Consultant Fees \$_2,900.00 Goods and Services Tax Full Registrant Qualifying Non-Profit (GST at 2.5%) Tax Exempt (no GST) OtherGST at CotherGST at CotherGST at CotherGST at CotherGST at CotherGST at Total GST Claimed S_2,025. * \$ t, (name) t, (name) LULL ABOUCHAR, of the (City, Town, etc.) <u>CITY OF TORENTO</u> in the County, Regional Municipality, etc.) of <u>HOMINCE OF ONTROLO</u> , MAKE OATH AND SAY:  I am a representative of the above noted party (the "party") and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.  I have examined the above Cost Claim and all of the documentation in support of it. The above Cost Claim represents only costs incurred directly and necessarily by the party for the purpose of its intervention in the Ontario Energy Board process (the file number of which is set out above).	EB-2009-0303	Northwatch
Legal/Consultant Fees       +       Disbursements       =       Net Sub-Total         \$_2,900.00       \$_26.85       \$_2,926.35         Goods and Services Tax	Board File Number	Party Name
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# APPENDIX "C" LAWYER & CONSULTANT FEES (TIME DOCKETS)

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### Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP Client Fees Listing ALL DATES

Date Entry #	Fae / Time Explanation	ALL DATES Working Lawyer	Hours	Amount Inv#
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	Lawyer: 31 3.50 Hrs X 290.00 prepare submissions to OEB	31	31	- JULI ABOUCHAR	3.50	1015.00
Aug 25/2009	Lawyer: 31 2.20 Hrs X 290.00 telephone call B. Robertson, OEB;	31	31	- JULI ABOUCHAR	2.20	638.00
Aug 26/2009	prepare comments Lawyer: 31 4.30 Hrs X 290.00 review comments from B, Lloyd; finalise comments to the OEB;	31	31	- JULI ABOUCHAR	4.30	1247.00

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# APPENDIX "D" DISBURSEMENTS

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### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF cost award eligibility for interested parties in a consultation process regarding proposed amendments to the Retail Settlement Code and the Distribution System Code associated with the settlement and billing of renewable embedded retail generation facilities.

## APPLICATION FOR AN AWARD OF COSTS ON BEHALF OF THE INTERVENOR, NORTHWATCH

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