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April 30, 2010

BY EMAIL & COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge St, Suite 2701 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Board File No. EB-2009-0260 Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. – 2010 Cost of Service Proceeding Energy Probe – Comments on Draft Rate Order

Pursuant to the Decision, issued by the Board on April 20, 2010, please find attached two hard copies of the Comments of Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) in respect of the draft Rate Order in the EB-2009-0260 proceeding for the Board's consideration. An electronic version of this communication will be forwarded in PDF format.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

David S. MacIntosh Case Manager

cc: John Grotheer, Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. (By email)

James Sidlofsky, Border Ladner Gervais LLP Randy Aiken, Aiken & Associates (By email)

Intervenors of Record (By email)

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 an Application by Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT RATE ORDER ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION ("ENERGY PROBE")

April 30, 2010

CAMBRIDGE AND NORTH DUMFRIES HYDRO INC. 2010 RATES

EB-2009-0260

COMMENTS ON DRAFT RATE ORDER

As part of the Decision dated April 20, 2010, the Board ordered Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro ("CND") to file with the Board and forward to intervenors a draft Rate Order within 10 days of the date of the Decision. The draft Rate Order was to provide detailed supporting information showing the calculation of the final rates including the Revenue Requirement Work Form.

The Board further ordered that intervenors should file any comments on the draft Rate Order with the Board and forward to CND within 5 days of the date of the filing of the draft Rate Order.

CND filed the draft Rate Order on April 28, 2010. Energy Probe has had the opportunity to review the draft Rate Order and believes that it accurately reflects the impact of both the Settlement Agreement and the Decision, with the minor exception noted below.

Energy Probe did not review the draft rate schedules, under the assumption that Board Staff would review them for accuracy.

As noted above, Energy Probe has one minor wording change suggestion related to the treatment of the harmonized sales tax. On page 6 of the draft rate order, CND indicates that it "will <u>return</u> copies of its GST/HST return as part of RRR and for evidence in future rate proceedings" (emphasis added). Energy Probe submits that "return" should be changed to "retain".