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VIA MAIL and E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
2300 Yonge St.
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: "Top Down" Estimation of DSM Program Impacts on Natural Gas Usage
report by PEG**

Board File No. EB-2008-0346

Questions of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

As per the Board's letter of May 5, 2010, please find attached VECC's questions on the report referenced above.

Yours truly,

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Questions of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

1. Please provide the equations estimated for Tables 1-8 inclusive, and for Tables 9 and 10.
2. With respect to Table 9, please indicate how each of the three explanatory variables, ID1, ID2, and ID3 should be interpreted. Also please explain whether the sum of the estimates of these three variables is meaningful.
3. For table 9 and table 10, please provide the results of the F-test of the hypothesis that all of the coefficients, other than the intercept terms, are zero at the 1% and at the 5% levels of significance.
4. Please explain why there is no trend variable for Table 8, i.e., did PEG find it to be statistically insignificant and drop it?
5. At page 43 of the report, PEG states that it “explored a variety of second-stage regressions.” Please provide a high-level summary list of the alternatives explored along with the reasons that each was rejected, in favour of the Table 9 and Table 10 results provided in the report.