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Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli – Board Secretary

July 23, 2010

Dear Ms Walli:

Re: Algoma Coalition – Notice of Intervention: EB-2009-0278, Algoma Power – 2010 & 2011 Electricity Distribution Rate Application

Please accept this letter as a Notice of Intervention, filed on behalf of the Algoma Coalition by the Municipality of Wawa, requesting intervenor status for our organization in EB-2009-0278.

The Algoma Coalition is a group of municipalities in the Algoma District, administered by the Municipality of Wawa that covers a broad based area serviced by Algoma Power.

The Algoma Coalition has been involved in the review of electricity generation and distribution issues in the Algoma District for the past eight (8) years and has been an intervenor in the past on applications submitted by Great Lakes Power (the forerunner to Algoma Power). The mandate of the Algoma Coalition is to ensure fairness in electrical pricing for all of our members.

The recent application filed by Algoma Power Inc. is of great concern to our members due to the severe impact it could have on the future pricing of distribution rates. The area covered by our members has undergone an economic transformation that has severely impaired the affordability of electrical power for many and handicapped business retention and attraction. Our area has a declining population, increasing building vacancies and an increase in people living off fixed incomes (both pension and social assistance). Any recovery by the economy is most certainly not foreseeable in the immediate



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future. To that end, the information contained in the Notice of Application is alarming.

Finally, we ask that any and all filings and corespondence related to the proceeding be provided to Mr. Paul Cassan at the following address / email address:

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On behalf of the Algoma Coalition, we wish to thank you for considering our request for intervenor status.

**Best Regards,
On Behalf of the Algoma Coalition**



**Chris Wray, AMCT
CAO / Clerk – Treasurer
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Cc: Mr. Paul Cassan – Wishart
Algoma Coalition Partners
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