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

Dear Ms Walli:

## Re: Board File Number: EB-2010-0248 Proposed Amendments to the Affiliate Relationships Code for Gas Utilities ("ARC") and Proposed Amendments to the Natural Gas Reporting & Record Keeping Requirements: Rule for Gas Utilities ("RRR")

We are counsel to the Consumers Council of Canada (the "CCC").

We have been instructed by our client to advise you that it wishes to participate in this consultation process. By this letter we are giving notice of our client's request for cost eligibility for its participation in this matter.

The CCC is a non-profit, public interest organization, which represents the interests of the broad array of residential consumers of natural gas in Ontario. The issues to be considered in the consultation process are ones which have a significant impact on residential consumers and, accordingly, the outcome of the proceeding will have an impact on the interests of residential consumers. It is essential that the interests of residential consumers are represented and protected in the Board's review of the proposed amendments to the ARC and the proposed amendments to the RRR. Our client, therefore, has a substantial interest in the outcome of the consultation process, will provide comments.

The CCC requests an award of costs for its participation in this proceeding. Our client has no funds to support its intervention in this consultation. In the absence of a cost award, our client would not be able to participate and assist the Board in its consultation.

The representatives of the CCC are the writer, and Julie Girvan. Ms Girvan's contact information is: 62 Hillsdale Avenue East Toronto, ON, M4S 1T5, telephone: (416) 322-7936, fax: (416) 322-9703, e-mail: jgirvan@ca.inter.net.

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Yours very truly,

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