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Joe Stevens and Flora L. Dooley,
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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Attention: Board Secretary

2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2701, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M4P 1E4

Re: EB-2010-0295

Based on the Friday November 5th 2010 public notice in the Burlington Post newspaper please place us both collectively as Intervenor 's concerning this matter.

Our collective stand and feeling on this matter is that it simply should not be allowed to go forward.

As ratepayers and citizens of Canada it is preposterous to introduce a proposal of this nature at any time in the course of managing a public utility. It is obvious from the public notice that in the course of business an activity known as late fees or penalties were being questionably imposed, and a legal challenge was made via a class action court law suit and the public utility lost the court challenge.

Correct us if this is wrong as the public notice is written in a very convoluted manner.

If that is the case then you should have absolutely no legal justification to go forward and charge this expense back to your customer base.

If Burlington Hydro is involved in this potential scenario then we are also soon to be impacted by their request for an increase in rates, as per file notice EB-2010-0067 as per public notice of Friday October 29, 2010 in the Burlington Post newspaper.

This is out of control.

For your information The City Of Burlington and the Region Municipality of Halton have had increases in taxes of over 9% cumulatively in the past 4 years. More than the rate of inflation. The Provincial Government of Ontario in concert with the Federal Government of Canada has legislated us with the Harmonized Sales Tax on our utilities and other previously non taxed items to further lessen our wealth.

As ratepayers we continue to bail out a now defunct entity known as Ontario Hydro which was reintroduced to Ontarians as Ontario Power Generation and Hydro One to only obfuscate matters and confuse consumers further. Ontario Hydro was mismanaged and should have been

bankrupted. We should not have to be paying a debt retirement of a defunct entity.

All of these situations impact family household budgets in an extremely negative manner and must stop to sustain a stable society.

When you take into consideration that a majority of Canadians are not keeping pace with this type of over taxation and rate structure manipulation how do you feel justified in introducing this type of potential scenario?

As ratepayers and potential future recipients of unacceptable surcharges to our already inflated utility bills please inform us in writing at the address shown so we legally understand how the Ontario Energy Board has managed or mismanaged this situation.

Sincerely,

Joe Stevens and Flora Dooley.

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