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

Dear Ms Walli,

Ontario Energy Board
Affected Electricity Distributors
Board File No.: EB-2010-0295
Our File No.: 339583-000003

We are writing this letter to seek intervenor status and cost award eligibility in this proceeding on behalf of Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME").

Request for Intervenor Status

The reasons why CME should be granted intervenor status in this proceeding include the following:

1. CME is Canada's leading business network. Its members represent 75% of manufactured output in the Province of Ontario, and 90% of all exports.
2. Manufacturing is important to the Province of Ontario. It is the single largest sector of the economy (17.5% of Gross Domestic Product ("GDP") or \$300B) employing, directly, over 1M people in the Province.
3. Electricity is the primary source of energy for the manufacturing sector. As a result, the members of CME are vitally concerned with all matters pertaining to the supply and price of electricity.
4. Ontario-based CME members seek an electricity system for Ontario which is one of the most cost-effective and economically sustainable systems in North America.
5. CME wishes to actively participate in these proceedings to assure that any rate changes which the Board approves are just and reasonable. Just and reasonable rates are a necessary ingredient of an electricity system that will support a growing and prosperous manufacturing sector. To this end, CME expects that it will address whether affected Electricity Distributors (as defined in the Notice of Proceeding) should be entitled to recover from ratepayers the costs and damages

arising out of Minutes of Settlement approved by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice on April 21, 2010, and if so, the form and timing of such recovery.

Request for Cost Award Eligibility

CME seeks a determination that it is eligible for a Cost Award on the following grounds:

1. CME is a not-for-profit organization funded by membership fees and revenues from the services it renders to Federal and Provincial Governments and Agencies to foster the development of national and international markets for its members and to break down trade barriers.
2. About 85% of CME's 1,400 Ontario-based member companies are Small to Medium sized business Enterprises ("SMEs") with 500 employees or less. The views of these businesses should be considered in this proceeding.
3. CME's ability to actively participate in this proceeding is dependent upon a determination that it is eligible for a Cost Award. In many prior proceedings, the Board has determined that CME is eligible for a Cost Award.

CME Contacts

If the relief requested in this letter is granted, then CME requests that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following individuals. ***Please note the new e-mail addresses for Mr. Thompson and Mr. DeRose.***

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Please contact the undersigned if the Board requires any further information in connection with these requests.

Yours very truly,



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