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Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Intervenor Status and Cost Eligibility Request on Behalf of the Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA)
Board File No. EB-2010-0279 Ontario Power Authority Proposed Fiscal 2011 Expenditure and Revenue Requirement**

The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) seeks intervenor status and cost award eligibility in the above noted proceeding.

REQUEST FOR INTERVENOR STATUS

OSEA seeks intervenor status for the following reasons:

- 1 It is a province-wide, non-profit organization representing more than 150 members including individuals and non-profit/community organizations that advocate for a variety of interest groups such as ratepayers, co-operative organizations, farmers, First Nations and municipalities. A list of its members can be found at: <http://www.ontario-sea.org>;
- 2 Membership is centered on the vision that every Ontarian is a conserver and generator of sustainable energy and contributes to the transition to 100% sustainable energy.
- 3 OSEA is a founding member of the Green Energy Act Alliance and helped to shape Ontario's Green Energy and Green Economy Act and the related Feed-in Tariff Program.
- 4 OSEA wishes to actively participate as it has done in other relevant proceedings and intends to provide a valuable and meaningful contribution.



- 5 OSEA's main focus in this proceeding is on the Feed-in Tariff Program, Community Integrated Plans, encouraging and increasing the involvement of community groups, municipalities and First Nation and Métis communities in renewable energy projects.
- 6 OSEA also has an interest in improved community and public relations about electricity matters, including sustainable electricity policy and consultation with new stakeholders in electricity system planning.

REQUEST FOR COST AWARD ELIGIBILITY

OSEA seeks funding for the participation of its counsel and expert advisors (Ms. Judy Simon, IndEco Strategic Consulting and Ms. Marion Fraser, Fraser & Company).

OSEA requests that it be determined eligible for a cost award on the following grounds:

- ◆ OSEA is a not for profit organization that is committed to representing the public interest on energy policy matters that contribute or impede sustainable development for Ontario.
- ◆ OSEA does not have funds of its own to allocate towards its meaningful participation in this matter.
- ◆ Sustainability, through both green energy production and energy conservation are the driving purpose of OSEA. OSEA represents the direct interest of its membership that can be characterized as “consumers as conservers”..
- ◆ Some of OSEA's members are generators, a group specifically excluded from cost award eligibility, except in special circumstances. OSEA believes that the passage of the Green Energy and Green Economy Act (GEGEA) creates this special circumstance.
- ◆ The hearing will have a direct impact on renewable energy generators and how renewable generation, particularly at the Aboriginal and community level, will be facilitated.

OSEA requests that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following parties:

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OSEA awaits your acceptance of this intervention and confirmation that OSEA will be eligible for costs.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Cherie L. Brant'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Cherie' being more prominent.

Cherie L. Brant

cc client
intervenor

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