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Attention: Kirsten Walli  
Baord Secretary

An application by Rideau St. Lawrence Utilities and other energy distributors has been brought before the OEB as I am sure you are aware.

It is my understanding these companies want to be reimbursed for legal fees and court cost with regards to the class action lawsuit brought against them and the court ruling which they subsequently lost.

These costs are to be passed on to the Ontario consumers and as, I was told by a director of Rideau St. Lawrence, that even advertisements in the paper should be included in the cost estimate as, I quote "this was the cost of doing business".

I disagree with this - I assume they knew what the fees were and if they charged more than was allowed by law, than that is their problem, and the companies should bear the responsibility of their actions.

I strongly suggest their application should be turned down as hydro expenses are high enough already, and this could be a back door method of further increasing rates which are already outrageous.

Yours truly,

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