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

Dear Ms Walli:

Re: EB-2010-0377, EB-2010-0378 and EB-2010-0379/

Consultation on Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity

We are counsel to the Consumers Council of Canada ("CCC"). We have received a copy of the Board's letter of December 17, 2010 regarding the Consultation. We are writing to you to confirm our client's intention to participate in all three policy initiatives described in the Board's letter, EB-2010-0377, EB-2010-0378 and EB-2010-0379.

The CCC requests cost eligibility for its participation in this consultation.

The CCC requests that the Board find it to be eligible for costs on the following grounds. The CCC has participated in many proceedings before the Board, over a long period of time. In all of those proceedings, the CCC has been recognized as being eligible for an award of costs. The CCC is a non-profit, public interest organization, which represents the interests of the broad array of residential consumers of electricity 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 Consultation. Our client, therefore, has a substantial interest in the outcome of the Consultation process, and will participate fully.

The CCC 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 representative of the CCC in this matter will be the CCC's consultant, 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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