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Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Board File EB-2010-0377; EB-2010-0378; and EB-2010-0379

I am writing in response to the letter of objection to the request by the Council of Canadians for cost eligibility in this matter. The letter suggests that my clients have a substantial budget and can otherwise afford to participate in the Board process. I have already represented that this is not the case, and without getting into the details of its budget, I note only that its net revenues are approximately 50% of the figure noted, and from that net budget the Council supports 5 offices across the country, dozens of community based chapters, dozens of staff and several national and international programs. Moreover it has no budget whatsoever to hire counsel and/or experts to participate in demanding regulatory processes.

I would be happy to provide more information about the Council's income and expenses if that is required.

Sincerely,



Steven Shrybman
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