

January 18, 2011

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

Re: Candidacy for the Smart Grid Working Group – **EB-2011-0002**

Dear Ms. Walli:

Please find below a letter of candidacy for the Smart Grid Working Group. As requested in the Board's letter issued on January 13, 2011, the letter contains the name of the nominee and a short statement identifying the nominee's relevant experience and qualification. Please note that 3 paper copies of this letter are being sent to the OEB's offices.

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Manuela Ris-Schofield has 10 years of experience in the Energy Sector with responsibilities involving energy regulation and rate issues. As a consultant, she prepares Cost of Service rebasing applications and regulatory submissions on behalf of various Ontario utilities. Manuela provides suggestion for the development of codes and regulations through active participation when needed. Before joining Elenchus Manuela held the position of Regulatory Officer at Oakville Hydro where she performed various regulatory tasks such as; preparing all documentation and submission required to meet the regulatory requirements of the Corporation, supported executive management in advising management on business issues within the context of the OEB's regulatory requirements and ensured that the corporation operated in continuous compliance with OEB regulations.

While at Oakville Hydro, Manuela worked on the implementation of OPA programs as well as the implementation of the utility 'smart meter pilot project. Her tasks included; Program design and marketing, applicant interface including project application processing and technical evaluation, on-going monitoring, tracking and reporting results, budgeting and year-end results.

Manuela has an in-depth understanding of regulatory and accountability requirements of conservation programs and the day-to-day requirements of managing these programs.

In her role as senior consultant at Elenchus Research Associates, her interests include monitoring the impact of regulation and conservation initiatives on small utilities and their customers.

Manuela fosters and encourages a culture of conservation in both her work life and personal life. Having recently installed in-ground source heating in her Milton home Manuela is currently volunteering her time at a local school helping them explore the possibility of installing a small windmill farm.