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Attn:Kristin Walli, Board SecretaryRef:Smart Grid Working Group, File # EB-2011-0004

Dear Ms. Walli,

Please consider this a nomination (Gord Ellis, Chief Technology Officer, Energent Inc.) to participate in the OEB's Smart Grid Working Group, File # EB-2011-0004.

Energent is a key participant in the Energy Hub Management System program, <u>http://www.energyhub.uwaterloo.ca/</u>, a collaborative research effort, with our partners Hydro One, University of Waterloo, the OPA, and Milton Hydro. This groundbreaking effort seeks to develop grid optimization technology at the "hub" level, that is, a facility behind the meter. It will address residential, industrial, commercial and agricultural facilities, and be inclusive of a mix of asset classes within the hub – producing, consuming and storage. Our program was one of 6 applications selected by the OCE out of some 130 proposals submitted, and was deemed to be potentially one of the most transformative energy projects of all. The objectives listed in Appendices A and B of the Minister's Directive are very much in line with the objectives of the Energy Hub program.

Thus, on behalf of Energent, I am nominating Gord Elis, Chief Technology Officer of Energent, and a company founder, to be our representative in the SGWG effort. Mr. Elis is a Professional Engineer, with a Masters in Business Administration, and is the Energent lead in the Energy Hub program. He is highly regarded by the other participants in the Energy Hub program, as well as members of the OCE and the Ministry who are familiar with the program. Mr. Elis also currently represents Energent in the OEA's Smart Grid Corporate Partners Committee.



We sincerely hope that you will accept our nomination of Mr. Ellis as a member of your Smart Grid Working Group. Please do not hesitate to contact me personally should you have any additional questions. I look forward to your response.

Yours very truly,

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