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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998*, c. 15, Sch. B, as amended (the "**OEB Act**");

AND IN THE MATTER of an application by Summerhaven Wind LP for an order under section 92 and subsection 96(2) of the OEB Act granting leave to construct an electricity transmission line and related facilities.

APPLICANT RESPONSE TO HALDIMAND COUNTY INTERROGATORIES

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Interrogatory 1

Preamble:

Haldimand County recognizes the need in appropriate circumstances to locate hydro lines on municipal road allowances. In the case of transmission facilities, Haldimand has safety concerns briefly described in its request for intervenor status. Haldimand acknowledges and understands the comments of the Board concerning jurisdiction made in Procedural Order #2.

Question:

- 1. Will there be any negative effect on the interests of consumers with respect to prices and the reliability of quality of electrical service if the transmission facilities are re-routed away from County road allowances?
- 2. Will there be any negative effect on the promotion of the use of renewable energy sources consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario if such transmission facilities are re-routed away from County road allowances?

Response:

- 1. There will be no negative effect on the interests of consumers with respect to prices and reliability regardless of where the Transmission Line is placed. The construction of the Facility will not be rate based.
- 2. There will be no negative effects associated with the promotion of renewable energy regardless of where the Transmission Line is placed.