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

File 10606.00010

Dear Ms Walli:

Re: Application of the Canadian Distributed Antenna Systems Coalition ("CANDAS")/EB-2011-0120

We are counsel to the Consumers Council of Canada ("CCC"). We have been instructed by our client to request intervenor status in this application.

The CCC is a non-profit, public interest corporation which represents the interests of residential consumers of electricity in Ontario. The full nature and extent of the impact of the granting, or denial, of the application on residential consumers will not be known until all of the evidence, including the evidence of electricity distributors, has been reviewed. However, it would appear, from the terms of the application, that residential consumers may be affected by the outcome of this application, in a number of possible ways, as follows:

- 1. If the members of CANDAS are not given access to the power poles of electricity distributors for purposes of attaching wireless equipment, the cost of wireless service to consumers may increase;
- 2. To the extent that residential consumers have contributed to the cost of erecting power poles, they have an interest in how those power poles are used;
- 3. To the extent that the use of the power poles by the members of CANDAS may provide a source of revenue to electricity distributors, residential consumers are entitled to benefit from that revenue.

The CCC intends to seek an award of costs for its participation in this application. The CCC, as a non-profit entity, has no funds of its own to support its participation. The CCC represents the interests of consumers. The CCC has been an active participant in many proceedings of the Ontario Energy Board, dealing with the regulation of the electricity sector, and in each of those proceedings has been found eligible for an award of 100% of its reasonably-incurred costs.

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The CCC will be assisted in this proceeding by its consultant, Julie Girvan. Copies of all materials related to the application should be delivered to the writer, and to Ms 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.

Yours very truly,

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