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**VIA E-MAIL & RESS** 

December 10, 2011

Ontario Energy Board

Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

27<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2300 Yonge Street

Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2011-0004, EB-2011-0034 RENEWED REGULATORY FRAMEWORK - FRPO COST ELIGIBITY REQUEST

## **REQUEST & SUPPORT**

I am writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) to request, respectfully, the extension of cost award to the remaining two facets of the Renewable Regulatory Framework initiative. FRPO is appreciative that the Board granted eligibility for cost award for the initial three components of the review earlier in 2011. When we were informed that the subject proceedings of Smart Grid and Regional Planning were integrated into the initiative by the November 8th letter, we were not sufficiently aware of the content of those proceedings and the inter-relationships with the initial three proceedings. However, in preparing for and attending the Question and Answer sessions on December 8th and 9th, the need for a coordinated and integrated review was very evident. We believe it would be extremely difficult to evaluate or propose sound regulatory improvements in the public interest without the benefit of the content of each of the five aspects of the review. It is our intent to continue to increase our understanding of the issues and implications for Ontario so that we may assist the Board in this extremely important initiative.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 300,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board with these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters in the natural gas market and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award for the two subject proceedings.

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## **REPRESENTATION**

If the extension of intervention and cost eligibility requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to the additional two proceedings be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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