



## Low-Income Energy Network

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Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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Dear Ms. Walli,

**Re: Request for LIEN eligibility for cost award in EB-2011-0004 and EB-2011-0043 (Consultation on Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity)**

The Board has previously determined that LIEN is eligible for a cost award in EB-2010-0377, EB-2010-0378 and EB-2010-0379. Until the Board Staff consultation on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 regarding the rate mitigation proceeding, EB-2010-0378, LIEN did not have a concern regarding its eligibility. However, at the consultation, Board Staff made it clear that rate mitigation would be considered in all of the RRF proceedings. In addition, EB-2010-0379 would be limited to rate mitigation issues remaining to be considered by the Board after transmitters/distributors had dealt with courses of action regarding rate mitigation.

Since setting appropriate rates for the residential sector is key to LIEN's mandate of protecting low-income energy consumers, LIEN kindly requests the Board to expand the approval of LIEN's cost award eligibility to include EB-2011-0004 and EB-2011-0043 so that LIEN has the opportunity to address rate mitigation issues in these proceedings.

LIEN apologizes for the delay in filing due to the holiday season.

Sincerely,

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