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Thursday, January 12, 2012

## **Delivered by Courier**

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: McLean's Mountain Wind LP Application for Leave to Construct Transmission Facilities Board File No. EB-2011-0394

Further to the Board's Letter of Direction dated December 19, 2011, McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership ("McLean's") is in the process of satisfying the Board's service and publication requirements with respect to the Notice of Application and Hearing in the above-mentioned matter (the "Notice"). The Notice was published in the local newspaper on Wednesday, Jan 11, 2012 and delivery of the Notice to the parties set out in the Letter of Direction will be complete as of today's date and McLean's will be filing an affidavit shortly to confirm that this has taken place.

To date, McLean's has received copies of a number of letters to the Board requesting intervenor status in this proceeding. We understand that letters have been submitted on behalf of (i) Manitoulin Coalition for Safe Energy Alternatives ("MCSEA"); (ii) BayNiche Conservancy; (iii) Lake Superior Action-Research-Conservation ("LSARC"); (iv) Wind Concerns Ontario ("WCO"); and (v) Rosemary Wakegijig. In addition to requesting intervenor status, the letters include requests for an oral hearing and for intervenor funding.

Pursuant to the Notice, parties may request intervenor status by submitting a letter of intervention to the Board no later than 10 days from the publication or service date of the

Notice ("Deadline"). McLean's understands that the letters received to date were submitted in response to the posting of the project on the internet. With the newspaper publication and the mail delivery of the Notice, it is possible that additional requests for intervenor status will be filed.

McLean's intends to respond to the requests for intervenor status and to the requests for oral hearings and costs. We suggest that it is appropriate and more efficient to provide a single comprehensive reply to the various requests, and we propose to deliver that response following the passage of the Deadline in order that any additional requests beyond those already received may be addressed at the same time. We trust that this will be satisfactory to the Board.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions or require further information in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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