ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by White River Hydro LP and Pic Mobert Fist Nation 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.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTRICITY SYSTEM OPERATOR

- The Independent Electricity System Operator (the "IESO") was served the Notice of Application and Written Hearing, and the White River Hydro, LP and Pic Mobert First Nation leave to construct application and pre-filed evidence (EB-2011-00420) on February 3, 2012. The IESO seeks to intervene in the proceeding for the purpose of participating in the hearing of this matter.
- 2. The IESO is established under the *Electricity Act, 1998* to administer the Ontario wholesale power markets and to direct the operation and maintain the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid. The IESO's responsibility for directing the operation and maintaining the integrity of the IESO-controlled grid is more precisely set out in the Market Rules and IESO license which, among other things, obligates the IESO to undertake a system impact assessment of proposed new or modified connections to the IESO-controlled grid and take all reasonable steps to ensure non-discriminatory access is provided to the IESO-controlled grid, in accordance with the its responsibility for directing the operation of the transmission systems.
- 3. As such, the IESO is an interested party and has an interest in all aspects of the proceeding. The IESO intends to participate by responding to pertinent enquiries as necessary, or as requested by the Board with respect to the IESO's

review and assessment of the reliability and operational impact of the proposed project. The IESO may also make written submissions.

- 4. The IESO wishes to receive copies of all evidence filed by the applicant and intervenors. The IESO asks that copies of all filed materials be sent to the IESO at the address set out below.
- 5. The address of the IESO is:

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6. The IESO will not be seeking an award of costs for its intervention.

DATED at Toronto this 17th day of February 2012.

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