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Dear Ms. Walli:

Independent Electricity System Operator - Smart Metering Charge 2012-2017 EB-2012-0100 / EB-2012-0211

Please find enclosed a Notice of Intervention of the Electricity Distributors Association in relation to the above-noted matter.

Yours very truly,

Richard King

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Enclosure

Cop(y/ies) to:

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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application filed by the IESO pursuant to subsections 78(2.1), (3.01), (3.0.2) and (3.0.3) and Ontario Regulation 453/06 of the Act, and subsection 53.8(8) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*;

AND IN THE MATTER OF a Proceeding being commenced on the Ontario Energy Board's own motion, pursuant to section 19 of the Act.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION ("EDA")

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- 1. The IESO, in its capacity as the Smart Metering Entity ("SME"), applied to the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for approval of a Smart Metering Charge ("SMC") of \$0.806 per Residential and General Service <50kW Customer per month, which the IESO proposes to collect from all licensed electricity distributors for the period July 1, 2012 to December 31, 2017. The application was filed on March 23, 2012 under subsections 78(2.1), (3.01), (3.0.2) and (3.0.3) and Ontario Regulation 453/06 of the Act, and subsection 53.8(8) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*. The Board assigned File No. EB-2012-0100 to this application.
- 2. By way of a Notice of Application and Notice of Proceeding dated May 18, 2012, the Board has determined that it will commence a proceeding on its own motion, pursuant to section 19 of the Act, to review the options for and ultimately determine the appropriate allocation and recovery of the SMC. The Board has given this proceeding File No. EB-2012-0211.
- 3. Pursuant to its powers under section 21(5) of the Act, the Board combined the hearing of the SME application for the SMC (EB-2012-0100) with the Board's proceeding on its own motion to determine the appropriate recovery and allocation of the SMC (EB-2012-0211). The EDA hereby requests intervenor status in this combined proceeding.
- 4. The EDA represents the interests of 75 publicly and privately owned local distribution companies ("LDCs") in Ontario, and provides members with advocacy and representation in the legislative and regulatory environment and the electricity market in Ontario.
- 5. The IESO consulted with the EDA and LDC representatives during preparation of the application (Exh. A/2/3, paras. 7 and 8 of SME application), including the proposal to recover the SMC in distribution rates. The EDA will represent the interests of LDCs in the combined proceeding, including the filing of any evidence regarding the potential recovery of the SMC in distribution rates.
- 6. The EDA has a record of participating in Board proceedings in a responsible and efficient manner. The Board has previously found the EDA to be eligible for intervenor status in other proceedings.

7. The EDA reserves the right to participate in all aspects of the proceeding and hereby requests that the Board, the IESO and any other intervenors provide it and its counsel with copies of all evidence and correspondence related to the proceeding, at the contact information below:

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY

SUBMITTED THIS 25th day of May, 20/12

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