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May 28, 2012

VIA EMAIL & VIA COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge St, Suite 2701 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Board File No. EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211 Independent Electricity System Operator Smart Meter Charge 2012 -2017 – Intervention of Energy Probe

Pursuant to the Ontario Energy Board's Notice of Application, dated May 18, 2012, Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) is hereby providing Notice of Intervention in the EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211 proceeding for the Board's consideration.

Energy Probe has become aware of a number of issues it may wish to pursue in this Matter, and has therefore availed itself of expert support.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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David S. MacIntosh Case Manager

cc: Brian Rivard, Independent Electricity System Operator (By email) Larry Schwartz, Economic Consultant to Energy Probe (By email)

## Energy Probe Research Foundation 225 BRUNSWICK AVE., TORONTO, ONTARIO M5S 2M6

# **Ontario Energy Board**

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application filed by the Independent Electricity System Operator pursuant to subsections 78(2.1), (3.0.1), (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' own motion, pursuant to section 19 of the Act.

# NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

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## ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.

#### Statement of Interest

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. Energy Probe will be representing its residential customer supporters in Ontario, which we have some number of thousands, and also representing a broader public interest concern with respect to the overall financial health and operational integrity of our utilities. Energy Probe will be intervening on issues which the Foundation believes to be in the public interest.

#### Intervention

Energy Probe intends to appear and participate in the hearing. Energy Probe expects to be a full-time intervenor. Energy Probe will be assisted by experts.

### Costs

Energy Probe is a non-profit organization which relies on individual donations to help protect the public interest. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Energy Probe's ability to participate in proceedings would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this proceeding, and expects to intervene responsibly, cognizant of the Boards guidelines regarding cost awards.

## Communications

Communications relating to this Notice of Intervention, including but not limited to all documents filed with the Board by the Independent Electricity System Operator, are required by Energy Probe and should be directed to:

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DATED at Toronto, Ontario this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2012.

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David MacIntosh Case Manager