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BY E-MAIL

August 22, 2012

Mr. Michael Janigan Counsel for VECC c/o Public Interest Advocacy Centre 1 Nicholas Street, Suite 1204 Ottawa ON K1N 7B7

Dear Mr. Janigan:

Re: Haldimand County Hydro Inc. 2012 Smart Meter Cost Recovery Application Board File Number EB-2012-0272 Notice of Intervention of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC")

The Board confirms VECC as an intervenor in the above noted proceeding. No objections to VECC's applications for intervenor status were received within 10 calendar dates from the filing of the notice of intervention.

The Board has determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* (the "Practice Direction").

The Practice Direction and related forms are available on the Board's website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary

cc: Lloyd Payne, Haldimand County Hydro Inc.