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September 10, 2012

Robert Kent Director, Finance and Regulatory Affairs St. Thomas Energy Inc. P.O Box 460 135 Edward Street St. Thomas ON N5P 4A8

LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Kent:

Re: St. Thomas Energy Inc.

Application for Rates

Board File Number EB-2012-0348

The Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") has now issued its Notice (the "Notice") relating to your application for 2012 Smart Meter Cost Recovery. Please note that you must publish the Notice within **fourteen days** of the date of this letter. If publication is not possible within fourteen days, you must inform the Board Secretary immediately.

You are directed:

1. To arrange immediately for the enclosed English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Ontario Energy Board", to be published in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest circulation, according to the best information available, in St. Thomas Energy Inc.'s service area:

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

2. To immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on all intervenors of record in St. Thomas Energy Inc.'s previous cost of service rate proceeding EB-2010-0141 and its 2012 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism rate proceeding EB-2011-0196;

- 3. If St. Thomas Energy Inc. is a Host Distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its Embedded Distributor(s);
- 4. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and service of the Notice immediately thereafter;
- 5. To make a copy of the Notice, application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at St. Thomas Energy Inc.'s office and on its website; and,
- 6. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any document(s) or material(s) when serving the Notice other than document(s) or material(s) expressly required by this Letter of Direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

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