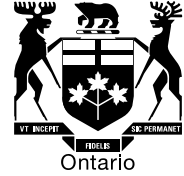


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October 22, 2012

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Dear Mr. Janigan:

**Re: Northern Ontario Wires Inc. ("NOW")
Smart Meter Cost Recovery Application
Board File Number EB-2012-0353
Notice of Intervention of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition
("VECC")**

The Board confirms VECC as an intervenor in the above noted proceeding, subject to NOW's right of reply to your request within 14 calendar days from the filing of your notice of intervention.

The Board has determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under its *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

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

cc: Geoffrey Sutton, Northern Ontario Wires Inc.
Shelley Grice, Econalysis Consulting Services