November 3, 2012

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor, Box 2329 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

As a Commenter I wish to make the following known to the Board, Re: EB-2012-0365.

I am a resident and owner of property adjacent to the Switching Station at the 3<sup>rd</sup> line of Amaranth. My property borders on the rear of that station, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> line of Amaranth, Part Lot 1. Albeit a small piece of property, I am significantly concerned for the ongoing and new uses/projects being developed around me without regard for the affect on me as a landowner.

I wish to express great concern for the numerous projects and regulations for watersheds, water protection, green space, industrial employment and now hydro lines that is affecting my property. I am all for participating in water protection and efficient land use. However, I have concern for resale value, notwithstanding the uncertain health affects that are constantly being researched as a result of exposures. The value of property is what most investing pre-retirement individuals are counting on to support finance in retirement years. The erosion of my job within the County has already occurred and as a long standing citizen and public employee of this community, I object to the political and economic interests of companies over which I have little control. As a result, my future income and security feels in jeopardy.

My property closely borders the railway line and I was quite happy to have the train running past my house in years past. I have moved now to travellers mostly joggers and dog walkers, snowmobilers and 4 wheelers. They park on the side of the road to unload in a school area and some of those participants well into the early morning hours. The recreational use is not one I object to but think this line could be better utilized for conservation and recreation, building on the protection of the watershed and green space.

Improving on the plan for any area is not one to which I object but consideration to the private ownership of individual property, small landowners cannot not be ignored in the bigger picture.

I ask to be kept informed of the decisions made in respect to this application.

Ms. Joann Butcher