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**To: All Rate-Regulated Licensed Electricity Distributors
All Participants in Consultation Process EB-2010-0219
All Other Interested Parties**

**RE: Review of Cost Allocation Policy for Unmetered Loads
Board File No. EB-2012-0383**

On October 1, 2012, the Board issued a letter inviting participation of interested parties in a working group and a consultation process to review the Cost Allocation Policy for Unmetered Loads. The Board also intended to seek the assistance of a consultant in its consideration of technical issues.

Fifteen parties (or groups of parties) requested to participate in the consultation process. Of these, fourteen requested to participate on the Unmetered Loads Working Group ("ULWG"). The letters received are posted on the Board's website.

<http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry/Regulatory+Proceedings/Policy+Initiatives+and+Consultations/Cost+Allocation+Policy+for+Unmetered%20Loads>

Working Group Membership

Board staff has reviewed the requests to participate in the ULWG, assessed the nominees' relevant expertise and qualifications and the organizations they represent based on the criteria posted with the October 1, 2012 letter. An attempt was made to have representatives from small and large electricity distributors, municipalities, and ratepayers groups. Board staff thanks unselected parties for their interest in participating on the working group.

The working group will be comprised of the following 10 interested parties (or groups of parties):

	Organization or Interest Group	Primary Representative
1	Association of Municipalities of Ontario (“AMO”)	Scott Vokey
2	Energy Probe Research Foundation (“Energy Probe”)	Dr. Roger Higgin
3	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”)	Bill Harper
4	City of Toronto	Ralph Frebold
5	City of Brampton and City of Hamilton	Kashif Jahangir (City of Brampton)
6	Rogers Communications Inc.	Paula Zarnett
7	Innisfil Hydro	George Shaparew
8	The CHEC Group ¹	Ken Robertson
9	Horizon Utilities	Jamie Gribbon
10	Coalition of Large Distributors	Jane Scott

The City of Brampton and City of Hamilton filed separate interventions. Board staff sees significant overlap in the interests of these two parties, so has made allowance for their participation on a combined basis, represented chiefly by Kashif Jahangir of the City of Brampton.

All meeting materials and notes prepared by Board staff and the ULWG will be posted on the Board’s website to allow stakeholders to follow the Working Group’s progress. Board staff will advise the parties with respect to timing for the first meeting.

Consultant

Board staff has retained Elenchus Research Associates to provide expert advice with respect to this consultation and to prepare a report. The Consultant’s Report will be issued for stakeholder comment after the work of the ULWG has been completed. Any questions regarding this consultation process should be directed to Vince Cooney at Vincent.Cooney@ontarioenergyboard.ca or at 416-440-8143. The Board’s toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

¹ Representing a group of twelve (12) LDCs: Centre Wellington Hydro, Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems, Lakeland Power Distribution, Orangeville Hydro, Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution, Wellington North Power, COLLUS PowerStream, Lakefront Utilities, Midland Power Utility, Parry Sound Power, Wasaga Distribution, and West Coast Huron Energy.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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