

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act"),
S.O. 1998, c.15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Varna Wind Inc. for
an order or orders pursuant to section 92 of the *Ontario Energy
Board Act, 1998* (as amended) granting leave to construct an
electricity transmission line and related facilities in Huron County
in the municipalities of Bluewater and Huron East, in Ontario.

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTRICITY SYSTEM OPERATOR**

1. The Independent Electricity System Operator (the "IESO") received notice of the application on January 8, 2013. The IESO seeks to intervene in the proceeding for the purpose of participating in the hearing of this matter.
2. The IESO is established under the *Electricity Act, 1998* to administer the Ontario wholesale power markets and to direct the operation and maintain the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid. The IESO's responsibility for directing the operation and maintaining the integrity of the IESO-controlled grid is more precisely set out in the Market Rules and IESO license which, among other things, obligates the IESO to undertake a system impact assessment of proposed new or modified connections to the IESO-controlled grid and take all reasonable steps to ensure non-discriminatory access is provided to the IESO-controlled grid, in accordance with its responsibility for directing the operation of the transmission systems.
3. As such, the IESO is an interested party and has an interest in all aspects of the proceeding. The IESO intends to participate by responding to pertinent enquiries as necessary, or as requested by the Board with respect to the IESO's

review and assessment of the reliability and operational impact of the proposed project. The IESO may also make written submissions.

4. The IESO wishes to receive copies of all evidence filed by the applicant and intervenors. The IESO asks that copies of all filed materials be sent to the IESO at the address set out below.

5. The address of the IESO is:

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6. The IESO will not be seeking an award of costs for its intervention.

DATED at Toronto this 8th day of January 2013.

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