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Via Email, Courier, and RESS

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

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: PowerStream Inc. Application for Board-Approved CDM Program – Direct Install Refrigeration Program - Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2013-0070

The Ontario Power Authority ("OPA") is in receipt of the Board's Notice of Application and Hearing dated April 1, 2013 in the above noted matter and is writing to request intervenor status in this proceeding.

Since its inception, the OPA has played a key role in designing and delivering conservation and demand management ("CDM") programs. On April 23, 2010, the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure issued a directive to the OPA outlining the requirements for strategic co-ordination of CDM programs with distributors and the Board. The OPA's interest in this proceeding is with respect to its role in coordinating and facilitating the successful implementation of the new CDM opportunities provided to LDCs through the *Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009*.

During the EB-2011-0011 proceeding, at the request of the Board, the OPA attended the hearing providing oral testimony and evidence on the issue of whether the CDM programs proposed by Toronto Hydro-Electric System were "duplicative" of OPA-Contracted Province-Wide CDM Programs.

The OPA has provided a letter to PowerStream regarding program duplication which is included in the evidence of the applicant. In order to be helpful to the Board during its review of this application, and as stated in the OPA's submission of May 24, 2011 in the EB-2011-0011 proceeding, the OPA would be pleased to provide assistance to the Board in addressing the issue of duplication.

Please provide a copy of all relevant communications to Miriam Heinz, at the address above, or through email at: <u>Miriam.Heinz@powerauthority.on.ca</u>.

Yours truly,

(original signed)

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