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September 10, 2013

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Re: Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited Affidavit for EB-2013-0144

Ms. Walli:

As directed in the Letter of Direction from the Board issued on September 3, 2013, Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited has enclosed our Affidavit confirming publication of the "Notice".

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Brenda L Pinke

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### AFFIDAVIT EB-2013-0144

# I, GEORGE P. SHAPAREW, OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. I am the President of Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited (the "Company"), a company incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario and licensed by the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 as an electricity distributor, and have knowledge of the matters pertaining to this Affidavit.
- 2. Pursuant to a Letter of Direction dated September 3, 2013 from the Board, the Company was directed to:
  - I. To arrange immediately for the publication of the English version of the Notice in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest circulation in Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited's ("IHDSL") service area
  - II. To serve copy of the Notice directly on all intervenors of record in IHDSL's previous cost of service rate application proceeding EB-2012-0139
  - III. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and service of the Notice
  - IV. To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at IHDSL's office and website
  - V. To make a copy of the Notice available for public review at IHDSL's office and website
  - VI. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material
- 3. I confirm that the aforementioned directives outlined in I VI have been undertaken and completed by IHDSL.
- 4. I confirm that a copy of the Notice was served to all intervenors of record in IHDSL's previous cost of service rate application.
- 5. I confirm that the Notice and a copy of the application and evidence has been posted on IHDSL's website and made available for public review in IHDSL's office.
- 6. I confirm that the Notice was published in the Innisfil Examiner on September 6, 2013.
- 7. I make this Affidavit for no improper purpose.

<b>SWORN</b> before me at the Town of Innisfil, in the	)
Province of Ontario, this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013	)
JASON REYNAR (USUCA 55350H). Commissioner for Taking Oath	GEORGE P. SHAPAREW President Innisfil Hydro

# County building cultural plans

(STAFF) — Simcoe County is developing a regional plan to put local culture on the main stage.

Data is expected to be fully compiled by December and will provide recommendations to county council about how to support culture in the

region.

Pamela Blackmore, the county's project manager with the regional culture plan, said by taking inventory of the county's cultural offerings in each municipality, it will help gather public input to better explore different options.

"This came out of the 10year strategic economic development plan in which the county expressed an

interest in exploring more of the culture sector," she said. The plan will not focus on specific cultural offerings, but will consider "high-level suggestions," Blackmore said.

Because the county is so diverse, tourists can tour around with stops at Barrie's waterfront, shopping in Collingwood, relax on Wasaga Beach or take in other cultural attractions the county may choose to put in the spotlight.

Stakeholder and public focus-group consultations will take place at various locations across the county including Innisfil town hall on Sept. 17 with a stakeholder meeting from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m followed by a public forum from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

"We're hoping to hear from stakeholders who are involved in the culture sector, such as the museum, the library, any arts councils,

that sort of thing." Blackmore said. "They really are the experts on the culture sector in their area."

The county is hoping to gather information on what is happening from a culture perspective to isolate the hidden gems the county has to offer

"What's working well? And, if there is a role for the county to play, what's their opinion on what that could potentially be?" Blackmore

"The public, as consumers of culture, also have an interest. What would they like to see in their region?"

Greg Baeker, director of cultural development with AuthentiCity, a division of Millier Dickinson Blais of Toronto, is developing the plan.

The County of Simcoe is conducting an online survey

to gather further input.
The survey is available at www.edo.simcoe.ca/culture/index.htm.

Responses to the survey will be collected until Sept.

"For those who can't attend one of the sessions, but would still like to have their say and provide some input, it would be great if they could be directed to our website," Blackmore said.

Since the survey went live, 75 people have completed it. "So, it's definitely of inter-

est to the community," Black-

Those interested in attending a session can contact Blackmore at 705-726-9300. ext. 1015, or pamela.blackmore@simcoe.ca.

## ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF INNISFIL HYDRO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS LIMITED

Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited has applied to raise its electricity distribution rates. Learn more.

Innisfil Hydro Distribution Systems Limited has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase the amount it charges by approximately \$0.18 each month for the typical residential customer beginning on January 1, 2014. Other customers, including businesses, may be affected as well.

The requested rate increase is tied to inflation (and other factors intended to promote efficiency).

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Innisfil Hydro's request. We will determine whether Innisfil Hydro has used the applicable models and formulas as required by the OEB. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide on the appropriate rate changes.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

#### BE INFORMED

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process. You can:

- review Innisfil Hydro's application on the OEB's website now:
- sign up to observe the proceeding by receiving OEB documents related to the hearing:
- at the end of the process, review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

If you want to become an active participant (called an intervenor) in this proceeding, you must apply for intervenor status to the OEB no later than 10 calendar days after the publication or service date of this notice, or the hearing will go ahead without you, and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding. If you do not wish to become an intervenor but wish to give your opinion on the proceeding to the Board members hearing the application, you are invited to file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.

The OEB does not intend to award costs in this proceeding as Innisfil Hydro has only made proposals of a mechanistic nature within the OEB's guidelines.

These proposed charges relate to Innisfil Hydro's distribution services. They make up part of the Delivery line -- one of the five line items on your bill. Our file number for this case is EB-2013-0144. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case please enter that file number at the OEB website: www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice. You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

If you write a letter of commant or sign up to observe the hearing, your name and the content of your letter or the documents you file with the OEB will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, a your Information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This rate hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).

