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September 29, 2014

BY FAX & BY COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge St, Suite 2701 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Board File No. EB-2014-0272 Veridian Connections Inc. --- Z Factor Application Energy Probe – Notice of Intervention

Pursuant to the Notice of Application issued in respect of Veridian Connections, please find attached the Notice of Intervention of Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) in the EB-2014-0272 proceeding for the Board's consideration.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

David S. MacIntosh

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Case Manager

cc. George Armstrong, Veridian Connections (By email)

Randy Aiken, Aiken & Associates (By email)

# **Ontario Energy Board**

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Veridian Connections Inc. for an Order or Orders approving the recovery of amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in Veridian's service areas of Ajax, Pickering, Clarington and Port Hope due to the December 2013 Southern and Eastern Ontario Ice Storm.

#### NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

OF

## **ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.

## Statement of Interest

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. Energy Probe will be representing its residential customer supporters in Ontario, which we have some number of thousands, and also representing a broader concern with respect to the overall financial health and operational integrity of our utilities. Energy Probe will be intervening on issues which the Foundation believes to be in the residential ratepayer interest.

# Intervention

Energy Probe intends to participate in the proceeding. Energy Probe expects to be an all issues intervenor and will be assisted by experts. It expects to review a number of the discrete issues related to the proposed recovery raised in the application, including the amount, the incremental nature of those costs and the causation, materiality and prudence of the costs. In addition, Energy Probe will be reviewing the reasonableness of the assignment of costs to OM&A versus capitalized costs and the rate rider calculation and proposed term for that rider.

#### Costs

Energy Probe is a non-profit organization which relies on individual donations to help protect the public interest. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Energy Probe's ability to participate in proceedings would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this proceeding, and expects to intervene responsibly, cognizant of the Boards guidelines regarding cost awards.

#### Communications

Communications relating to this Notice of Intervention, including but not limited to a copy of all documents filed with the Board by Veridian Connections, are required by Energy Probe and should be directed to:

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DATED at Toronto, Ontario this 29th day of September 2014.

David MacIntosh

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Case Manager