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May 22, 2015

BY EMAIL & BY COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Board File No. EB-2014-0289**  
**Consultation – Natural Gas Market Review**  
**Energy Probe – Reply to Enbridge Gas Costs Objections**

Pursuant to the Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards, dated April 23, 2015, the Costs Submission of Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) in the EB-2014-0289 consultation was filed on April 30, 2015 for the Board's consideration.

Unfortunately, Energy Probe filed using the original Statement of Fees Being Claimed form that had been supplied by the Board and which generated an incorrect Statement of Fees Being Claimed.

A Party to the Consultation noticed the error and kindly notified Energy Probe. A corrected Costs Submission was submitted for the Board's consideration on May 8, 2015.

It may well be that the oddly worded Costs Objection from Enbridge Gas in respect of Energy Probe (No. 3 of 5 Objections), received yesterday, referred to the April 30, 2015 Energy Probe Costs Submission. In that Submission, it might be said that "The consulting fees included within Energy Probe's claim do not agree with the hours claimed."

In the May 8, 2015 corrected Energy Probe Costs Submission, the updated Board supplied Statement of Fees Being Claimed correctly computed the consulting fees in the Costs claim.

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To summarize the participation of Energy Probe in this Consultation, it was clearly spelled out in the initial invitation from the Board, dated September 19, 2014, "how interested stakeholders may participate in the Review". To quote from the middle of Page 3 of the invitation:

"Following the Stakeholder Conference, all interested parties will be invited to submit written comments on the issues raised in the consultants' reports and explored at the Stakeholder Conference. Written comments are to be submitted to the Board by January 16, 2015."

And so, in preparation for the submission of Comments, Dr. Higgin reviewed the independent consultants' reports when they were released to consultation participants. Dr. Higgin and David MacIntosh registered for and attended the Stakeholder Conference. Finally, they drafted their Comments and filed those Comments on January 16, 2015.

It should be noted that the hours claimed by Energy Probe in this Consultation were well below the maximum number of cost eligible hours per participant provided for by the Board.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

Yours truly,



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