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## **RESS, EMAIL & COURIER**

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention:

Ms. K. Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Windlectric Inc. - Application for Leave to Construct Transmission Facilities

(EB-2014-0300)

We are counsel to Windlectric Inc. ("Windlectric") in respect of its application for leave to construct transmission facilities (EB-2014-0300).

We write further to the June 2, 2015 letter filed on behalf of the Association to Protect Amherst Island ("APAI"). In its letter, APAI noted that Windlectric recently issued a report as part of its Renewable Energy Approval process, which report contemplates changes to the number and size of turbines to be used for the Amherst Island wind generation facility. Accordingly, APAI requested that the Board should further delay issuance of its decision on the Application pending any further changes to the SIA and CIA, or confirmation from the IESO and Hydro One that no further changes to the SIA and CIA are needed.

The materials filed by Windlectric on May 29, 2015 were in satisfaction of the request made by the Board on March 9, 2015. That request was for updated SIA and CIA reports, or letters from the IESO and Hydro One confirming that the SIA and CIA reports remain accurate despite the passage of time and differences to the description of the transmission project in the reports as compared to the Application. Windlectric conveyed the request to each of the IESO and Hydro One on or about March 10, 2015 and was initially advised that it would take 2-3 weeks for a response. Instead, it took until May 12, 2015 to get the addendum report from the IESO and until May 29, 2015 to get the letter from Hydro One.

During the intervening period, Windlectric made a decision to proceed with the changes relating to the turbines. Windlectric is currently preparing an information package about these changes, which it expects to provide to each of the IESO and Hydro One in approximately 1 week. Whereas the Board's March 9, 2015 letter was concerned with differences in the way in which the proposed transmission project was described in the SIA and CIA reports relative to the way in which the proposed transmission project is described in the Application, the concerns raised by the APAI relate to changes in the generation facilities, which are not part of the Application.

If based on the information being provided to the IESO and Hydro One about the changes to the generation project there are any further updates required to either the SIA report or the CIA reports, Windlectric would undertake to file such updates with the Board upon receipt. However, given that the changes are to generation facilities that are not part of the Application it is Windlectric's view that the Board should proceed to determine the Application without further delay.

Yours truly,

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