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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2015-0238 – Distributor Gas Supply Planning Consultation.**

**Industrial Gas Users Association (IGUA) Registration for Participation and Request for Determination of Cost Eligibility.**

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Further to the Board's October 16, 2015 letter to interested parties regarding the captioned consultation, we write as legal counsel to IGUA to:

1. Register IGUA for participation in the captioned matter, including attendance of the writer at the stakeholder conference scheduled for Thursday, November 25, 2015.
2. Request that IGUA be determined eligible for an award of costs for its participation in this matter, pursuant to the cost eligibility guidance provided in the Board's letter.

**Description of IGUA**

IGUA is an association of industrial companies located in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Québec, who use natural gas in their industrial operations. IGUA was first organized in 1973 and it provides a coordinated and effective public policy and regulatory voice for those industrial firms depending on natural gas as a fuel or feedstock. IGUA has become the recognized voice representing the industrial user of natural gas before regulatory boards and governments at both the provincial and national levels.

The Association's activities are guided by a 15 member Board of Directors, constituted to assure that each industrial sector and geographic region is represented. The Board of Directors has regularly scheduled meetings at least six times each year. A full time President and other staff are based in a permanent office in Ottawa.

Through regulatory intervention, government advocacy, marketing, promotion, partnerships, education and outreach, IGUA successfully represents industrial gas users. IGUA's mission is to be the voice of our members within the natural gas industry through intervention, advocacy, and partnerships.

IGUA has been an active participant in Ontario gas distributor OEB applications, and OEB gas market related policy and consultative initiatives, for decades. IGUA was an active participant in the Board's most recent Natural Gas Market Review, which has given rise to the instant consultation. IGUA intends to participate fully in the instant consultation, through the writer as legal counsel.

IGUA also hereby requests that it be determined eligible for recovery of its reasonably incurred costs of its participation herein.

As a party primarily representing the direct interests of industrial consumers (i.e. ratepayers) in relation to regulated services, IGUA has in the past been determined to be eligible for cost awards pursuant to section 3.03(a) of the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

## Request for Materials and Contact Information

IGUA requests that copies of materials and all circulated correspondence related to this matter be directed to it as follows:

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