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VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
P.O. Box 2319  
2300 Yonge St.  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2016-0025 Issues List and Confidentiality Concerns  
Comments of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

We are in receipt of the comments of counsel for the School Energy Coalition (SEC) concerning the Issues List and matters of confidentiality. We are in agreement with the same.

VECC notes that this merger concerns the future provision of services to over 900,000 customers who expect to obtain benefits from increased efficiencies in a timely fashion given the burdens placed upon ratepayers to fulfill current long term energy goals. Deferred rebasing plans should be examined carefully to ensure that the public interest is considered in priority to the interests of the municipal shareholders. In VECC's view, the application of the no-harm test is likely not sufficient to ensure a result in keeping with the Board's statutory objectives.

Yours truly,

Michael Janigan  
Counsel for VECC

Cc: Interested Parties