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VIA E-MAIL

July 11, 2016

Ontario Energy Board <u>Attn</u>: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4

RE: EB-2014-0255 Consultation on the Development of Corporate Governance Guidance for OEB Rate-Regulated Utilities - FRPO Intervention Request

REQUEST & SUPPORT

I am writing on behalf of the Federation of Rental-housing Providers of Ontario (FRPO) in regard to the Board's letter of June 22, 2016 outlining the consultation process on the topic corporate governance. This consultation is important to the public interest in Ontario and has impact on our members.

FRPO is Ontario's leading advocate for quality rental housing, representing over 800 private owners and managers who supply over 350,000 rental suites across the province. Our members strongly believe that the rental-housing sector is best served by a competitive marketplace that offers choice and affordability in the provision of energy services. As a not-for-profit organization, FRPO does not have other funding sources to ensure experienced representation to participate in and assist the Board in these regulatory proceedings. FRPO has previously assisted the Board in other matters and has been awarded costs by the Board. Therefore, FRPO would respectfully request a determination of eligibility for cost award in this proceeding.

ISSUES & INVOLVEMENT

The alignment of corporate governance with the outcomes expected by the Ontario Energy Board is a critical component of ensuring that monopolies are guided in the public interest. We commend the initiative of the Board in reviewing the state of this governance and consideration of opportunities for improvement.

There are numerous sub-issues that flow from the consideration of appropriate guidance to utilities. From our initial review of the Elenchus Draft Report on Corporate Governance, we would request involvement in all areas identified with a particular focus on "good corporate governance" as captured in the principles section of the report.

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REPRESENTATION

If the intervention requested is granted, then FRPO asks that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of FRPO,

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