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Dear Mr. McNally and Mr. Shepherd:

Re: School Energy Coalition Application for Intervenor Status Hydro Ottawa Limited Application for Distribution Rates OEB File Number EB-2016-0084

On September 19, 2016, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) received the application of the School Energy Coalition (SEC) for intervenor status in relation to Hydro Ottawa Limited's application for electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2017. The SEC request was received in the absence of any Notice of Hearing being issued by the OEB. For the reasons set out below, the SEC application for intervenor status will not be processed.

The Hydro Ottawa Limited application consists of a request for a rate adjustment pursuant to its custom incentive rate-setting plan that was approved by the OEB in December 2015. Due to the mechanistic nature of the adjustments contemplated in this application, a member of the OEB's staff has been delegated authority under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 to make a decision on the application. The delegated authority has determined that the review will proceed without holding a

hearing. As such, no Notice of Hearing will be issued and no applications for intervenor status will be considered in this matter.

Yours truly,

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