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**Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary**

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2016-0075 – Horizon 2017 Rates – SEC Submission**

We are counsel to the School Energy Coalition (“SEC”). Pursuant to Procedural Order No. 1, these are the submissions on behalf of SEC regarding Horizon Utilities Corporation’s (“Horizon”) application for 2017 distribution rates.

SEC has reviewed the application and the interrogatory responses and has no specific concerns regarding the method in which Horizon has adjusted its rates for 2017, which are consistent with the approved settlement agreement reached in EB-2014-0002.

SEC does note that Horizon’s 2015 in-service additions are significantly above the Board approved amount. SEC’s acceptance of Horizon’s proposed rate adjustment for 2017 should in no way be taken as acceptance of the variance in capital spending, the prudence of which will be determined at a later date when its addition to rate base are sought.

Yours very truly,  
**Jay Shepherd P.C.**

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