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December 1, 2016 Our File No. 20160058

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2016-0058 - Brantford 2017 Rates - SEC Cost Claim

We are counsel for the School Energy Coalition. We enclose the cost claim of the School Energy Coalition, on the Board's form and enclosing docket details.

We note that counsel Mark Rubenstein took the lead on this matter, which was settled in full.

This is the first cost claim in which we have included time for Mr. Rubenstein at the 6-10 year rate of \$230 per hour, and in that regard an interpretation issue has arisen with respect to the Practice Direction on Cost Awards. We wrote to the Board about this on July 25, 2016, and have subsequently followed up, but we understand that the Board is still considering the appropriate interpretation of the Practice Direction in Mr. Rubenstein's circumstances.

The interpretation issue arises because Mr. Rubenstein has six years' experience working full-time on OEB matters, but not all of it has been as a lawyer. The first year was as a student-at-law, from September 2010 to September 2011, as an employee of our firm. During that time, he had substantial carriage of many matters, and worked in the manner of a junior lawyer on a number of other matters. All of it was OEB work.

Mr. Rubenstein was called to the bar in September, 2011, and has now for more than five years worked as a lawyer for our firm, again full-time on OEB matters. Thus, the question is whether the six year threshold in the Practice Direction should be the period during which he has worked

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on OEB matters, or only the subset of that period since he was called to the bar. It appears to us that the Practice Direction does not contemplate this situation.

Given that this is the first time we have had a cost claim that includes any material hours for Mr. Rubenstein after September, 2016, we have segregated those hours in the claim and calculated them at the \$230 rate. We believe that is the appropriate interpretation of the Practice Direction, but await the Board's review and determination in that respect.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

JAY SHEPHERD P. C.

Jay Shepherd

cc: Wayne McNally, SEC (email)

Interested Parties



Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

This form should be used by a party to a hearing before the Board to identify the fees and disbursements that form the party's cost claim. Paper and electronic copies of this form and itemized receipts must be filed with the Board and served on one or more other parties as directed by the Board in the applicable Board order. Please ensure all required (yellow-shaded) fields are filled in and the Affidavit portion is signed and sworn or affirmed.

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| File # EB- | 2016 | -0058 | | | Process: | Brantford 20 | 017 Rates | | |
| Party: | Scho | ol Energy C | oalition | | Affi | ant's Name: | Jay Shepherd | | |
| HST Numbe | er: | 83673-546 | 34-RT0001 | | | HST | Rate Ontario: | 13.00% | |
| | | | ull Registrant Unregistered Other | ✓ | | Qualifyi | ng Non-Profit Tax Exempt | | |
| | | | | | Affidavit | | | | |
| l, | | Ja | y Shepherd | | | ty/Town of | | Toronto | |
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Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

Commissioner for taking Affidavits

File # EB- 2016-0058 Process: Brantford 2017 Rates

Party: School Energy Coalition

| Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Legal/consultant/other fees | \$ | 10,344.00 | | | | | | | |
| Disbursements | \$ | - | | | | | | | |
| HST | \$ | 1,344.72 | | | | | | | |
| Total Cost Claim | | | | | | | | | |

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Jay Shepherd Professional Corporation, in trust

Send payment to this address: 2200 Yonge Street

Suite 1302

Toronto, Ontario

M4S2C6

Ontario Energy Board COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements





| File # EB- | 2016-0058 | | | Process | Process: Brantford 2017 Rates | | | | | | | |
|------------|------------------------------------|------|----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Party: | School Energy Coalition | | | Service | Provider Name: | Mark Rubenste | ein | | | | | |
| | | | | Year Called to | o | Complete Practising/Year | | | | | | |
| | SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE | (che | ck one | ne) Bar | | Experi | ience | | | | | |
| | Legal Counsel | | ✓ | 2011 | | 5 | | | | | | |
| | Articling Student/Paralegal | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Consultant | | | | | Hourly Rate: | \$170 | | | | | |
| | Analyst | | | | | _ | | | | | | |
| | For Consultant/Analyst: | | | attached provided within pre | | harged (enter %): | 13.0% | | | | | |

| ev provided within previous 24 months | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----|-----------|----|----------|------------|----------|----|-----------|
| Statement of Fees Being Claimed | | | | | | | | | |
| | Hours | Но | urly Rate | • | Subtotal | btotal HST | | | Total |
| Pre-hearing Conference | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Technical Conference | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | 3.4 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 578.00 | \$ | 75.14 | \$ | 653.14 |
| Attendance | 2.5 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 425.00 | \$ | 55.25 | \$ | 480.25 |
| Interrogatories | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | 17.0 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 2,890.00 | \$ | 375.70 | \$ | 3,265.70 |
| Responses | 7.9 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 1,343.00 | \$ | 174.59 | \$ | 1,517.59 |
| Issues Conference | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| ADR - Settlement Conference | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | 9.1 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 1,547.00 | \$ | 201.11 | \$ | 1,748.11 |
| Attendance | 13.0 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 2,210.00 | \$ | 287.30 | \$ | 2,497.30 |
| Proposal Preparation | 0.1 | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | 17.00 | \$ | 2.21 | \$ | 19.21 |
| Argument | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Oral Hearing | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Other Conferences | | | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Case Management | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES | | | | \$ | 9,010.00 | \$ | 1,171.30 | \$ | 10,181.30 |



| File # EB- | 2016-0058 | Process: | Brantford 20. | 17 Rates |
|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | | | | |
| Party: | School Energy Coalition | Service Prov | ider Name: | Mark Rubenstein |

| Stateme | ent of Disbursements Being Claim | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|------|-------|---|
| | Net Cost | HST | Total | |
| Scanning/Photocopy | | | \$ | - |
| Printing | | | \$ | - |
| Courier | | | \$ | - |
| Telephone/Fax | | | \$ | - |
| Transcripts | | | \$ | - |
| Travel: Air | | | \$ | - |
| Travel: Car | | | \$ | - |
| Travel: Rail | | | \$ | - |
| Travel (Other): | | | \$ | - |
| Parking | | | \$ | - |
| Taxi | | | \$ | - |
| Accommodation | | | \$ | - |
| Meals | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| | | | | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: | \$ - | \$ - | \$ | - |





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|------------|-----------------------------|------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Party: | School Energy Coalition | | | Service F | Provider Name: | Mark Rubenstein | | | | | | |
| | | | | Year Called to | | Completed Y Practising/Years o | | | | | | |
| | SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE | (che | ck one | e) Bar | _ | Experience | | | | | | |
| | Legal Counsel | | V | 2011 | | 6 | | | | | | |
| | Articling Student/Paralegal | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Consultant | | | | | Hourly Rate: | \$230 | | | | | |
| | Analyst | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | For Consultant/Analyst: | | CV a | ttached | HST Rate Cl | narged (enter %): | 13.0% | | | | | |
| | | | CV p | rovided within previo | ous 24 months | | <u> </u> | | | | | |

| Si | tatement o | of Fe | es Being | Clai | imed | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------|------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| | Hours | | urly Rate | _ | Subtotal | HST | Total |
| Pre-hearing Conference | | | • | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Technical Conference | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Interrogatories | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Responses | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Issues Conference | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| ADR - Settlement Conference | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Proposal Preparation | 5.8 | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | 1,334.00 | \$ 173.42 | \$ 1,507.42 |
| Argument | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Oral Hearing | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Other Conferences | | | | | | | |
| Preparation | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Attendance | | \$ | 230.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Case Management | | \$ | 170.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES | | | | \$ | 1,334.00 | \$ 173.42 | \$ 1,507.42 |



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|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | | | | |
| Party: | School Energy Coglition | Service Provi | der Name: | Mark Ruhenstein |

| | Net Cost | HST | T/ | otal |
|----------------------|----------|--------|----|-------|
| | Net cost | 1131 | | , cai |
| Scanning/Photocopy | | | \$ | - |
| Printing | | | \$ | - |
| Courier | | | \$ | - |
| Telephone/Fax | | | \$ | - |
| Transcripts | | | \$ | - |
| Travel: Air | | \$ - | \$ | - |
| Travel: Car | | | \$ | - |
| Travel: Rail | | | \$ | - |
| Travel (Other): | | | \$ | - |
| Parking | | | \$ | - |
| Тахі | | \$ - | \$ | - |
| Accommodation | | | \$ | - |
| Meals | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| Other: | | | \$ | - |
| | | | | |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: | \$ | - \$ - | \$ | - |



| Date | Explanation | Lwyr | 170 | 230 |
|----------|--|------|------|-----|
| 20160709 | email | MR | 0.1 | |
| 20160712 | emails/edit and review NoI for filing | MR | 0.3 | |
| 20160713 | emails | MR | 0.1 | |
| 20160802 | emails | MR | 0.1 | |
| 20160803 | emails/review PO | MR | 0.2 | |
| 20160816 | review/application/draft IRs | MR | 6.8 | |
| 20160817 | review/application/draft IRs/research new building issues | MR | 7.1 | |
| 20160819 | draft cover letter/edit, finalize and file IRS | MR | 2.3 | |
| 20160909 | prelim review of IRR | MR | 1.0 | |
| 20160916 | emails | MR | 0.2 | |
| 20160916 | review IRRs | MR | 2.5 | |
| 20160918 | review IRRs | MR | 4.2 | |
| 20160919 | emails/review Bd letter | MR | 0.3 | |
| 20160920 | prepare for TC/review response to TCQ provided | MR | 3.1 | |
| 20160921 | attend tech conference/discussion with intervenors afterwards | MR | 3.9 | |
| 20160926 | prepare for settlement conference | MR | 2.5 | |
| 20160927 | conference/review undertaking responses | MR | 5.2 | |
| 20160928 | attend settlement conference | MR | 6.5 | |
| 20160929 | attend settlement conference | MR | 6.5 | |
| 20160929 | post-settlement emails | MR | 0.1 | |
| 20161014 | emails/preliminary review of settlement proposal | MR | | 0.4 |
| 20161016 | review settlement proposal/provide comments and edits/emails | MR | | 3.1 |
| | review other parties comments and edits/emails/review BPI corr | | | |
| | re: extension | MR | | 0.6 |
| | review draft accounting order/emails | MR | | 0.3 |
| | emails/review further updated settlement docs | MR | | 0.4 |
| 20161020 | emails/review further issues settlement proposals | MR | | 0.4 |
| | emails/review further revisions to settlement proposal.review Bd | | | |
| 20161021 | | MR | | 0.5 |
| 20161024 | emails | MR | | 0.1 |
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