

September 15, 2017 Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Regarding: EB-2017-0048: Objection to intervention request submitted by Mr. Chris

Capredoni.

Dear Ms. Walli,

We are writing to you with respect to the intervention request submitted by Mr. Chris Capredoni.

To our knowledge, and subject to any further information you may have with respect to the intervention request, neither Mr. Capredoni nor his business, Capredoni Enterprises Ltd., are customers of Hydro Hawkesbury Inc. Accordingly, it would seem to us, neither Mr. Capredoni nor his business have a substantial interest in the proceeding as required by Rule 22.02 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, such that neither Mr. Capredoni nor his business would warrant being granted intervenor status.

Mr. Capredoni asserts in his letter that he wishes to be granted intervenor as "a representative/advocate for other small business owners in the Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce and Ontario Chamber of Commerce". If either or both of the Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce wish to seek intervenor status in this application, then it is necessary that either or both of those organizations provide, amongst other things:

- a) a description of their organizations,
- b) a description of their memberships,
- c) a description of their organizations' interest in the proceeding,
- d) the grounds for their organizations' intervention, and
- e) a concise statement of the nature and scope of the intervenor's participation,

all pursuant to Rule 22.03 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure. In our view, neither organization has met any of these requirements. In fact, it is not clear to us that either of those organizations is aware that Mr. Capredoni has referred to them in his intervention request.

All that is provided in the intervention request is Mr. Capredoni's assertion that he is a small business owner and that he, therefore, represents the interests of small businesses. In his letter Mr. Capredoni does not describe his actual relationship to either the Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce or the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, nor does he describe what authority he has, if any, to hold himself as a representative for either or both of those organizations.

For all these reasons, we would respectfully submit that Mr. Capredoni should not be granted intervenor status based on the information that is currently before the Board.

It appears to us that Mr. Capredoni did not send a copy of his intervention request to Hydro Hawkesbury Inc.; it only came to our attention upon viewing it on the OEB's online Webdrawer. In the event that the Board corresponds further with Mr. Capredoni with respect to his request, we ask that Mr. Capredoni send us copies of the correspondence directly.

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Yours truly,

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