ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application made by the Town of Collingwood for leave to purchase 50% of the issued and outstanding shares of Collingwood PowerStream Utility Services Corp. from Alectra Utilities Corporation, made pursuant to section 86(2)(b) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998 (the "Phase 1 Acquisition");

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application made by EPCOR Collingwood Distribution Corp. for leave to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of Collingwood PowerStream Utility Services Corp. from the Town of Collingwood, made pursuant to section 86(2)(b) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998 (the "Phase 2 Acquisition");

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application made by Collus PowerStream Corp., to be effective following the receipt of Phase 1 Acquisition approval from the Board, seeking to include a negative rate rider in the 2017 Board approved rate schedules of Collus PowerStream Corp. to give effect to a 1% reduction relative to 2017 base residential distribution rates (exclusive of rate riders), made pursuant to section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998.

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

OF THE

SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION

- 1. The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.
- 1. SEC is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings. Our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board's website, here:

http://www.rds.oeb.ca/HPECMWebDrawer/Record/589545/File/document

2. The School Energy Coalition intends to apply for recovery of its costs reasonably incurred in the course of its intervention in this matter. SEC has participated in many past natural gas and electricity proceedings in Ontario, including consultations, rate cases, and other processes and hearings, and has been found eligible to be paid its reasonably incurred costs in all of those proceedings.

Issues to be Addressed

- 3. SEC's intended participation will focus on the following issues:
 - a. The impact, if any, of the proposed transactions on the customers of the acquired company;
 - b. The appropriateness of EPCOR operating the Collingwood electricity distribution franchise; and
 - c. Generally to represent the interests of school boards and their students in this process.

The Intervenor's Intended Participation

4. SEC intends to participate in any pre-hearing procedures, including interrogatories or technical conferences, and settlement conferences. SEC also intends to participate in any oral hearing of this matter, and in written or oral submissions, as well as any other parts of the process that the Board should order.

Nature of Hearing Requested

5. Until interrogatories have been answered, we believe it is premature to assess whether a written or an oral hearing is more appropriate in this proceeding.

Counsel/Representative

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- 6. SEC requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board by each party to this proceeding be served on the intervenor, and on the intervenor's counsel, as follows:
 - a. School Energy Coalition: (electronic copies only)

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the School Energy Coalition this February 21, 2018.

Jay Shepherd Counsel for the School Energy Coalition