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December 5, 2018

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
26th Floor
2300 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON
M4P 1E4

DELIVERED BY EMAIL

Dear Ms. Walli,

RE: EB-2017-0319: EGD RNG and Geothermal Rate Application

Please find enclosed the cost claim submitted on behalf of the Canadian Biogas Association in the above noted proceeding.

We ask that the approved costs be paid to Michael Buonaguro by check at the following address:

24 Humber Trail
Toronto, Ontario
M6S 4C1

Yours very truly,



Michael R. Buonaguro
Encl.

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS



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.

Instructions

- Required data input is indicated by yellow-shaded fields. Formulas are embedded in the form to assist with calculations.
- All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state exchange rate and country of initial currency.

- A separate "Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed" (comprising a "Statement of Fees Being Claimed" and a "Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed") is required for each lawyer, analyst/consultant and articling student/paralegal. However, only one "Summary of Fees and Disbursements" covering the whole of the party's cost claim should be provided.
- The cost claim must be supported by a completed Affidavit signed by a representative of the party.
- A CV for each consultant/analyst must be attached unless provided to the Board as prescribed on the Cost Award Tariff.

Except as provided in section 7.03 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards, itemized receipts must be provided.

File # EB- 2017-0319 Process: EGD RNG and Geothermal Rate Application
Party: Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers Affiant's Name: Michael Buonaguro
HST Number: 82029 2415 RT0001 HST Rate Ontario: 13.00%
Full Registrant [X]
Unregistered []
Other []
Qualifying Non-Profit []
Tax Exempt []

Affidavit

I, Michael Buonaguro, of the City/Town of Toronto in the Province/State of Ontario, swear or affirm that:

- 1. I am a representative of the above-noted party (the "Party") and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.
2. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim, including the attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".
3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed" include only costs incurred and time spent directly for the purposes of the Party's participation in the Ontario Energy Board process referred to above.
4. This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in sections 6.05 and 6.09 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

Signature of Affiant

Sworn or affirmed before me at the City/Town of Toronto in the Province/State of Ontario, on Dec 5 2017 (date)

Commissioner for taking Affidavits
MARIAN MACGREGOR

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



File # EB- 2017-0319 Process: ENG RNG and GEOTHERMAL Rate Application

Party: Canadian Biogas Association

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed		
Legal/consultant/other fees	\$	12,936.50
Disbursements	\$	-
HST	\$	1,681.75
Total Cost Claim	\$	14,618.25

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Michael Buonaguro

Send payment to this address: 24 Humber Trail
Toronto Ontario
M6S 4C1

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS
Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed



File # EB- <u>2017-0319</u>	Process: <u>ENG RNG and GEOTHERMAL Rate Application</u>
Party: <u>Canadian Biogas Association</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>Michael Buonaguro</u>
<p>SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/> Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Analyst </p>	
Year Called to Bar	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience
<input type="text" value="2002"/>	<input type="text" value="16"/>
For Consultant/Analyst:	Hourly Rate:
<input type="checkbox"/> CV attached <input type="checkbox"/> CV provided within previous 24 months	<input type="text" value="\$290"/>
	HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input type="text" value="13.0%"/>

Statement of Fees Being Claimed					
	Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal	HST	Total
Pre-hearing Conference					
Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technical Conference					
Preparation	4.50	\$ 290.00	\$ 1,305.00	\$ 169.65	\$ 1,474.65
Attendance	7.50	\$ 290.00	\$ 2,175.00	\$ 282.75	\$ 2,457.75
Interrogatories					
Preparation	8.50	\$ 290.00	\$ 2,465.00	\$ 320.45	\$ 2,785.45
Responses		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Issues Conference					
Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Proposal Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Argument					
Preparation	9.60	\$ 290.00	\$ 2,784.00	\$ 361.92	\$ 3,145.92
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 290.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management					
		\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 8,729.00	\$ 1,134.77	\$ 9,863.77

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed



File # EB- 2017-0319

Process: ENG RNG and GEOTHERMAL Rate Application

Party: Canadian Biogas Association

Service Provider Name: Stephanie Thorson

Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed			
	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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Canadian Biogas Association

December 3, 2018

Attention:

File #: 05-426

Inv #: 690

RE: EB-2017-0319 EGD RNG/GEOTHERMAL PROCEEDING

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS	AMOUNT	LAWYER
Apr-25-18	Review application material, conference call with client.	2.00	580.00	MRB
Apr-26-18	Review evidence, draft IRs.	2.50	725.00	MRB
Apr-30-18	Conference with client re issues, IRs.	1.00	290.00	MRB
May-01-18	finalize IRs.	2.00	580.00	MRB
May-02-18	Finalize IRs, conference with client.	1.00	290.00	MRB
Jun-20-18	Conference with Client, preparation for tech conference.	1.00	290.00	MRB
Jun-25-18	Meeting with client via phone, preparation for Technical Conference.	1.50	435.00	MRB
Jun-26-18	Preparation for Technical Conference.	2.00	580.00	MRB
Jun-27-18	Attendance at technical conference.	7.50	2,175.00	MRB
Aug-21-18	Conference call with clients.	1.00	290.00	MRB
Aug-24-18	Drafting argument.	2.00	580.00	MRB
	Drafting argument.	3.00	870.00	MRB

Aug-28-18	Finalize argument.	2.50	725.00	MRB
Oct-12-18	Conference call re possible submissions.	0.50	145.00	MRB
Nov-22-18	Draft submission.	0.60	174.00	MRB

Totals	30.10	\$8,729.00
Total GST on Fees		1,134.77

Total Fee & Disbursements

\$9,863.77

Balance Now Due

\$9,863.77

TAX ID Number	830059879
Total GST	\$1,134.77

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File # EB- <u>2017-0319</u>	Process: <u>ENG RNG and GEOTHERMAL Rate Application</u>
Party: <u>Canadian Biogas Association</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>Stephanie Thorson</u>
<p>SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)</p> <p>Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Analyst <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
Year Called to Bar	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience
<input type="text" value=""/>	<input type="text" value="21"/>
For Consultant/Analyst: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CV attached	Hourly Rate: <input type="text" value="\$330"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> CV provided within previous 24 months	HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input type="text" value="13.0%"/>

Statement of Fees Being Claimed						
	Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal	HST	Total	
Pre-hearing Conference						
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Technical Conference						
Preparation	0.50	\$ 330.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 21.45	\$ 186.45	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Interrogatories						
Preparation	9.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 2,970.00	\$ 386.10	\$ 3,356.10	
Responses		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Issues Conference						
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
ADR - Settlement Conference						
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Proposal Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Argument						
Preparation	3.25	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,072.50	\$ 139.43	\$ 1,211.93	
Oral Hearing						
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Other Conferences						
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Case Management		\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 4,207.50	\$ 546.98	\$ 4,754.48	

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File # EB- 2017-0319

Process: ENG RNG and GEOTHERMAL Rate Application

Party: Canadian Biogas Association

Service Provider Name: Michael Buonaguro

Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed			
	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:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

INVOICE 1-2

December 3, 2018

From:

Stephanie Thorson

111 Stibbard Ave.

Toronto, ON

M4P 2B9

HST number: 722021516 RT0001

To:

Work as technical advisor to the Canadian Biogas Association re EB-2017-0319 Ontario Energy Board 12.75 hours@\$330/hour=\$	\$4,207.50
HST	\$546.98
TOTAL	\$4,754.48

Cost claims OEB

https://www.oeb.ca/oeb/Documents/Regulatory/Practice_Direction_on_Cost_Awards.pdf

\$330/hour

March 29, 2018

1 hour call and reading – 11 am to noon

1.5 hour Board call

0.5 hours to draft response – questions and interrogatories

April 11, 2018

0.5 hours to review letters and share with Board

April 25, 2018

2 hours to brief legal counsel on issues, and prepare interrogatories

April 27, 2018

1.5 hours to read OEB questions, and create my own

April 30, 2018

1 hour conference call with members

May 1, 2018

1 hour review and add to questions

June 20, 2018

0.5 hours prep for technical conference

August 14, 2018

1 hour – read and respond to EGD doc

August 17, 2018

1 hour – call with directors

August 22 - 30 minutes- review draft submission and provide comments

August 28 – 45 minutes – review final submission with board comments

STEPHANIE THORSON

President, Viking Strategies Inc.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

***Viking Strategies Inc.* • 2011 - 2018 • President**

Stephanie created Viking Strategies to enable her to lead initiatives that build organizational strength, revenue and influence. Her services include creative market development, strategic planning and communications, and project development and execution.

For the Canadian Biogas Association, her work since 2011 has included:

- **Strategic planning.** Extensively involved in the organization's strategic planning processes for four years
- **Events.** Agenda development, sponsorship, marketing, logistics, and MC at events
- **Communications.** Authored a series of guides on technical topics written in clear language, and handles all communications including member newsletters and media releases
- **Project development and execution.** Leads collaborative and innovative projects related to the market development of renewable natural gas across Canada

Work for other clients includes:

- Pollution Probe:
 - Director of human health program, leading a new initiative related to food, health and the environment. Continuing research on water quality, and outreach programs.
- Evergreen:
 - Strategic director of Toronto ravine revitalization program in the lower Don Valley, with a focus on raising funds and enabling the art program
 - Developing a strategy to diversify revenue streams via fee-for-service offerings
- Earth Day Canada:
 - Evaluating a program aimed at promoting diversity and inclusion in the environmental sector
- Natural Resources Canada:
 - Editing a series of biomass fact sheets, and the *Renewable Natural Gas Technology Roadmap*, including drafting the chapter on pathways to RNG development
- Toronto and Region Conservation Authority:

- Researching and drafting, with input from a consultation session of 20 stakeholders, a discussion paper on developing biomethane from municipal source separated organic material
- Facilitating input from a range of stakeholders and authoring a joint submission to the Ontario Power Authority supporting small scale combined heat and power as a responsible electricity source with multiple benefits
- Ice Energy Technologies:
 - Canadian developer for innovative energy storage and conservation devices for this Colorado-based company. Tasks include market analysis report for Toronto Hydro, and finding customers for a new conservation technology for commercial customers.

TREC Renewable Energy Cooperative Education Foundation • 2011-2016 • Chair (volunteer position)

Summerhill • 2004 -2011 • Senior Director

Stephanie held a range of senior roles, building a valuable set of skills and accomplishments. At Summerhill, she:

- Led successful renewable energy programs:
 - Created and directed Go Solar, the province-wide solar outreach campaign, funded by the Ontario Ministry of Energy
 - Led the marketing campaign for PowerHouse, the provincial renewable energy incentive program that was the precursor to the FIT program
- Directed successful energy conservation programs:
 - Account director for major utility clients, including SaskPower, Nova Scotia Power, and eight Ontario Local Distribution Companies (LDCs). Conservation programs with multi-million dollar annual budgets were managed by Summerhill for utility clients
- Guided a billion-dollar corporation in orientating its business toward sustainability through a strategic planning process, and working with them to implement the plan
- Led Summerhill Carbon, a carbon offsets organization within Summerhill:
 - Managed a team of staff to acquire and verify carbon offsets, sell them to customers and communicate results. Reported to a Board of Directors, and created new strategies for expanding the reach of carbon offsets in the marketplace.

Toronto Public Health and Clean Air Partnership • 2001-2004 • Health Promotion Consultant

- Oversaw the pilot phase of the 20/20 The Way to Clean Air program, which engages people in energy conservation activities.

Toronto Atmospheric Fund • 1997-2000 • Communications Director

- Planned and delivered a set of communications tools with a distinctive image. Provided support to the grants and loans process by assisting proponents with application requirements and revisions, and overseeing meeting administration.

Environmental Foundation Ltd. (Sri Lanka) • 1994 • Policy Analyst

EDUCATION

York University • 1991-1994 • Master in Environmental Studies

- Completed a program of study entitled: “Strategies for Changing Energy Use”
- Areas of investigation included: energy policy; social marketing; program design, implementation and evaluation; and ecology.
- Major paper, entitled “Winning Support for Energy Conservation”, featured a case study of Toronto’s efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy conservation.

Queen’s University • 1984 -1988 • Bachelor of Arts with Honours

- Political Studies and English Literature