



Quinte Manufacturers Association

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Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
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Attention: Board Secretary
Via e-mail boardsec@oeb.ca

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2016-0201 Class B – GA Discussion Paper

Intervenor Background

The Quinte Manufacturers Association (“QMA” or “Association”) is an organization of small and medium manufacturers and processors located in the greater Bay of Quinte region which includes the cities of Belleville and Quinte West (Trenton). The Association is an unfunded industry collaborative that provides a forum for members to discuss issues and matters of common concern including the increasing costs of electricity supply and service. The work of the QMA represents the specific interests of its members and is led by a volunteer steering committee with members drawn from local manufacturers .

Statement of Interest

The Global Adjustment (“GA”) factor is a very important issue for the QMA’s Class B member manufacturers. Members continue to be concerned with the impact on operations as a result of the recovery of GA costs and related electricity costs. QMA welcomes the opportunity to participate in the review of the Board staff discussion paper and provide comments from the perspective of our manufacturers.

Participation

The QMA requests that it be considered a stakeholder for the purpose of this proceeding. Given the scope and objectives of the staff GA discussion paper, the QMA is participating to ensure that the interests of its members are represented and can provide assistance to the Board in determining the most appropriate framework for future price plans for all Class B customers.

Costs

The QMA believes that it meets the eligibility requirements set out in the Ontario Energy Board’s *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The QMA will be requesting an award of costs to retain qualified consulting support for its intervention. Michael McLeod is the QMA’s energy advisor and consultant in this matter and his qualifications have been previously filed with the Board.

Communications

The QMA requests that correspondence and documentation related to the proceeding be sent by e-mail to the undersigned at SRoodvoets@domtech.net and Michael McLeod at mdmcl@kos.net.

Respectfully submitted:

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Cc: M. McLeod