

February 27, 2019

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319, 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Re: Activity and Program Based Benchmarking (APB) Initiative: Staff Discussion Paper

AMPCO Request for Eligibility for Costs

Board File No. EB-2018-0278

Dear Ms. Walli:

I am writing pursuant to the Board's Notice regarding the above proceeding to request participant status and eligibility for cost awards related to the Stakeholder Conference on March 5, 2019 and written comments on the Staff Discussion Paper.

## **AMPCO's Interest**

AMPCO is a not-for-profit consumer interest advocacy organization. AMPCO's members represent Ontario's major industries: forestry, chemical, mining and minerals, steel, petroleum products, cement, automotive and manufacturing and business consumers in general. AMPCO members are major investors, major employers and a major part of communities in which we operate, across Ontario.

AMPCO's interest in the Board's regulation of the electricity sector relates generally to the interests of consumers with respect to price, adequacy, reliability and quality of electricity service, and, more particularly, to how costs are allocated to, and rates are designed to recover costs from, industrial customers.

AMPCO and its member companies are well known to the Board. AMPCO participates in many proceedings, working groups, consultations and initiatives of the Ontario Energy Board in which matters relevant to customers and Ontario's large electricity consumers are being addressed. AMPCO has previously been approved by the Board as eligible for cost awards in relation to proceedings and consultations that impact the electricity sector.

We respectfully request that the Board please confirm AMPCO's eligibility for an award of costs in this matter.

## **Notice**

Please serve all correspondence pertaining to this proceeding to AMPCO 's consultant as follows:

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I trust this letter will suffice for the Board to grant participant status to AMPCO and to confirm AMPCO's eligibility for a cost award.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely yours,

(Original Signed By)

Colin Anderson President Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario