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March 22, 2019

Ms Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street  
Toronto, ON  
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Dear Ms. Walli,

**RE: EB-2018-0287 Utility Remuneration and EB-2018-0288 Responding DERs  
Energy Probe Participation and Cost Eligibility Request Letter**

In its letter of March 20, 2019, Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) applied to participate in the EB-2018-0287 Utility Remuneration and the EB-2018-0288 Responding to Distributed Energy Resources consultation process and asked that it be eligible for the recovery of the costs for its participation. Energy Probe listed one of its consultants, Tom Ladanyi, as a participant in the consultation process. Subsequent to that letter, Energy Probe has decided to add another one of its consultants, Dr. Roger Higgin, as a participant in the consultation process.

**Statement of Interest**

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. Energy Probe will be representing its electricity residential customer supporters in Ontario, which we have some number of thousands, and will also be representing a broader concern with respect to the overall financial health and operational integrity of Ontario utilities. Energy Probe has been a responsible participant in OEB proceedings for over thirty years. In this consultation process, Energy Probe will focus on the potential financial and reliability risks that electricity ratepayers may be facing in the evolution of the energy sector.

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**Costs**

Energy Probe is a non-profit organization which relies on individual donations to help protect the public interest. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Energy Probe’s ability to participate in the consultation process would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this consultation process, and expects to participate responsibly, cognizant of the Board’s guidelines regarding cost awards.

**Consultants**

Energy Probe will be represented by its consultants, Tom Ladanyi and Roger Higgin. Mr. Ladanyi is a professional engineer and accountant with more than forty years of experience in the energy utility sector of the economy. Dr. Higgin is a former OEB board member with a doctorate in engineering. He has more than thirty years of experience in the energy utility sector of the economy including a number of years with the Ontario Ministry of Energy. Their CVs are on file with the OEB and their contact information is provided below.

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Energy Probe expects that its participation will consist of meeting attendance and submission of written comments.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Energy Probe.

*Original signed by*

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Tom Ladanyi  
Consultant to Energy Probe