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May 26, 2019

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

**RE: EB-2019-0003 Post-2020 Natural Gas Demand Side Management Framework
Energy Probe Participation and Cost Eligibility Request Letter**

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) applies to participate in the EB-2019-0003 Post-2020 Natural Gas Demand Side Management Framework consultation process and asks that it be eligible for the recovery of the costs for its participation.

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 natural gas 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 and participated in the development of the current natural gas DSM framework used by rate regulated natural gas distributors.

Energy Probe expects to address the following areas: DSM program outcomes and value for money, consistency of program offerings and delivery across rate zones, and co-ordination of programs of gas distributors with the programs of electricity distributors and with government programs.

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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.

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 stakeholder meeting attendance and submission of written comments.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Energy Probe.

Original signed by

Tom Ladanyi
Consultant to Energy Probe