ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sched. B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF the consultation with respect to Potential Projects to Expand Access to Natural Gas Distribution

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

OF THE

SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION

- 1. The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.
- 1. SEC is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings. Our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board's website, here:

http://www.rds.oeb.ca/HPECMWebDrawer/Record/589545/File/document

2. The School Energy Coalition intends to apply for recovery of its costs reasonably incurred in the course of its intervention in this matter. SEC has participated in many past natural gas and electricity proceedings in Ontario, including consultations, rate cases, and other processes and hearings, and has been found eligible to be paid its reasonably incurred costs in all of those proceedings.

Issues to be Addressed

- 3. SEC's intended participation will focus on:
 - a. The Draft Guidelines proposed by the Board;
 - b. The costs, risks and benefits to customers of natural gas expansion projects;
 - c. The impact of natural gas expansion projects on energy efficiency and gas demand side management;
 - d. The sensitivity of natural gas expansion projects to the cost of the commodity including any costs associated with carbon emissions;
 - e. The impact of the Board's Draft Guidelines and proposed processes on the options available to customers to have cost effective, affordable, and environmentally appropriate energy supply throughout the province;
 - f. Such other issues and concerns that may arise in the course of these consultations, or may be identified by the Board for inclusion; and
 - g. Generally to represent the interests of school boards and their students in this process.

The Intervenor's Intended Participation

4. SEC intends to participate in all aspects of the consultation. To the extent that it includes any discovery, hearing, or submission processes, SEC expects to participate fully in those processes. If evidence is sought or allowed by the Board, SEC may, depending on the circumstances, seek to lead evidence on one or more issues.

Counsel/Representative

- 5. SEC requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board by each party to this proceeding be served on the intervenor, and on the intervenor's counsel, as follows:
 - a. School Energy Coalition: (electronic copies only)

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the School Energy Coalition this December 23, 2019.

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