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Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4 May 20, 2020 Our File: EB20190037

#### Attn: Christine Long, Registrar & Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Long:

#### Re: EB-2019-0037 – Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. 2020 Rates – Cost Claim

We are counsel to the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"). Enclosed, please find SEC's cost claim in this matter on the Board's form with accompanying detailed dockets.

SEC notes that this proceeding was more complex than other cost of service applications, as it involved consideration of not just the 2020 test year, but also a request for 4 Advanced Capital Modules. In addition, the COVID-19 emergency was declared just over a week before the Settlement Conference was to be held.

For the purposes of the Board's form we have included time in the 'Other Conference – Preparation' category for time docketed for items that do not fall within the other categories (i.e. filing Notice of Intervention, procedural matters, reviewing OEB Staff submission and the Final Decision, etc.).

As a result of the COVID-19 remote work environment, we have not been able to easily arrange to have the Board's cost claim for affidavit commissioned. In place of a commissioned affidavit, I have provided below in this signed letter, the same statements that are on the Board's cost claim affidavit, for the purposes of attesting to the accuracy of the enclosed cost claim.

We hope in the current circumstances that this is acceptable to the Board.

In lieu of a commissioned affidavit, and as a member of the Law Society of Ontario and an Officer of the Ontario Court and, as such, mindful of my duties to the Ontario Energy Board, I, Mark Rubenstein, provide this statement confirming that;

1. I am a representative of the School Energy Coalition and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.

2. I have examined all of the documentation in support of the attached cost claim, including the attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".

3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed" include only costs



*incurred and time spent directly for the purposes of the Party's participation in the Ontario Energy Board process referred to above.* 

4. This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in sections 6.05 and 6.09 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

Yours very truly, **Shepherd Rubenstein P.C.** 

Mark Rubenstein

cc: Wayne McNally, SEC (by email) GSHI (by email)

# **Ontario Energy Board COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS**



### Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

This form should be used by a party to a hearing before the Board to identify the fees and disbursements that form the party's cost claim. Paper and electronic copies of this form and itemized receipts must be filed with the Board and served on one or more other parties as directed by the Board in the applicable Board order. Please ensure all required (yellow-shaded) fields are filled in and the Affidavit portion is signed and sworn or affirmed.

#### Instructions

- Required data input is indicated by yellow-shaded fields. Formulas are embedded in the form to assist with calculations.

- All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state exchange rate and country of initial currency.

Country: Rate: - A separate "Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed" (comprising a "Statement of Fees Being Claimed" and a "Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed") is required for each lawyer, analyst/consultant and articling student/paralegal.

However, only one "Summary of Fees and Disbursements" covering the whole of the party's cost claim should be provided.

- The cost claim must be supported by a completed Affidavit signed by a representative of the party.

- A CV for each consultant/analyst must be attached unless provided to the Board as prescribed on the Cost Award Tariff.

### Except as provided in section 7.03 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards, itemized receipts must be provided.

File # EB-	EB-2019-0037			Process: GSHI 2020 Rates				
Party:	School Energy Coalition			Affiant's Name: Mark Rubenstein				
HST Numbe	er:	83673-5464-RT0001		HST Rate Ontario: 13.00%				
		Full Registrant Unregistered Other		Qualifying Non-Profit				

				Affidavit	
I,	Ν	/lark Rubenste	in	, of the City/Town of	Toronto
in the Province/State of		Ontario		, swear or affirm that:	

1. I am a representative of the above-noted party (the "Party") and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.

2. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim, including the attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".

3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed" include only costs incurred and time spent directly for the purposes of the Party's participation in the Ontario Energy Board process referred to above.

4. This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in sections 6.05 and 6.09 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

### Signature of Affiant

Sworn or affirmed before me at the City/Town of in the Province/State of

on

(date)

**Commissioner for taking Affidavits** 

# Ontario Energy Board COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS



## Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

File # EB- EB-2019-0037

Process: GSHI 2020 Rates

Party: School Energy Coalition

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed						
Legal/consultant/other fees	\$	15,663.00				
Disbursements	\$	-				
HST	\$	2,036.19				
Total Cost Claim	\$	17,699.19				

Payment Information							
Make cheque payable to:	Shepherd Rubenstein Professional Corporation, in tru						
Send payment to this address:	2200 Yonge Street Suite 1302						
	Toronto, ON M4S 2C6						

# Ontario Energy Board COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS



# Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- EB-2019-0037			Process: GSHI 2020 Rates							
Party: School Energy Coalition Service Provider Name: Mark Rube								i <mark>rk Rubenst</mark>	ein	
	SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE Legal Counsel	(check one )	Yea	ar Called to Bar 2011			F	Complet Practising/Yea Exper Exper	rs of ience	Relevant
	Articling Student/Paralegal Consultant Analyst For Consultant/Analyst:	CV attac		within previc	ous 2		narg	Hourly Rate: ed (enter % ):		\$230 13.0%
	S	tatement o	of Fe	es Being	Cla	imed				
		Hours	Но	urly Rate		Subtotal	1	HST		Total
Pre-hearin	g Conference									
	Preparation		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Attendance		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Technical C	Conference									
	Preparation		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Attendance		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Interrogate	ories									
	Preparation	16.70	-	230.00	\$	3,841.00	\$	499.33	\$	4,340.33
	Responses	12.40	\$	230.00	\$	2,852.00	\$	370.76	\$	3,222.76
Issues Con										
	Preparation		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Attendance		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
ADR - Settl	ement Conference									
	Preparation	12.40		230.00	\$	2,852.00	\$	370.76	\$	3,222.76
	Attendance			230.00	\$	3,841.00	\$	499.33	\$	4,340.33
	Proposal Preparation	7.50	\$	230.00	\$	1,725.00	\$	224.25	\$	1,949.25
Argument									*	
	Preparation		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
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	Preparation		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	Attendance		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
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	Preparation	2.40	\$	230.00	\$	552.00	\$	71.76	\$	623.76
Coop Marine	Attendance		\$	230.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Case Mana	gement				\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
TOTAL SER	VICE PROVIDER FEES				\$	15,663.00	\$	2,036.19	\$	17,699.19

# Ontario Energy Board COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed



File # EB- EB-2019-0037

Process:

GSHI 2020 Rates

Party: School Energy Coalition

Service Provider Name:

Mark Rubenstein

Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed							
		Net Cost	HST	Total			
Scanning/Photocopy			\$-	\$-			
Printing				\$-			
Courier			\$-	\$-			
Telephone/Fax			\$-	\$-			
Transcripts			\$-	\$-			
Travel: Air			\$-	\$-			
Travel: Car			\$-	\$-			
Travel: Rail			\$-	\$-			
Travel (Other):			\$-	\$-			
Parking			\$-	\$-			
Тахі			\$-	\$-			
Accommodation			\$-	\$-			
Meals			\$-	\$-			
Other:			\$-	\$-			
Other:			\$-	\$-			
Other:			\$-	\$-			
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TOTAL DISBURSEMEN	TS:	\$-	\$-	\$-			

Date	Explanation	Lwyr	Hours
20191218	emails	MR	0.1
20191219	prel review of App and draft NOI	MR	2
20200122	review PO	MR	0.1
20200207	review evidence and draft IRs	MR	2.5
20200210	review evidence and draft IRs	MR	4.5
20200211	review evidence and draft IRs	MR	5.1
20200212	review and draft IRs/finalize and file	MR	2
20200213	review VECC IRs	MR	0.2
20200227	review corr	MR	0.1
20200228	review OEB corr/p. call from D. Lau	MR	0.2
20200302		MR	0.1
20200304	emails/p. call w. GHSI re: IR clarification	MR	0.5
20200306	review PO	MR	0.1
20200309	emails	MR	0.1
20200310		MR	0.1
20200311	prel review of IRR	MR	2.5
20200312	emails/p. call w. D. Lau	MR	0.2
	emails/review of IRR	MR	4.2
20200317	emails/review of IRR	MR	5
	emails/prepare for Settlement Conference	MR	0.5
20200319	prepare for Settlement Conference	MR	5.2
	web conference with Intervenors & Staff/prepare for Settlement Conference	MR	3.5
	review clarification responses/emails/prepare for Settlement Conference	MR	3.2
	attend Settlement Conference (web conference)	MR	5.2
20200324	attend Settlement Conference (web conference)	MR	8
20200325	emails/attend Settlement Conference (web conference)	MR	2.5
	preliminary review of settlement agreement	MR	0.8
	review previous comments and edits/provide details comments and edits/review models	MR	3.2
20200414		MR	0.2
	emails/prel review of second version of Settlement Proposal	MR	0.3
20200416		MR	0.2
	web conference with all parties	MR	1
	emails/review further GSHI changes to settlement	MR	1.7
	finalize second version intervenor comments/emails	MR	0.5
	review Settlement Proposal and cover letter and provide comments/emails	MR	1
	p. call w. D. Lau	MR	0.1
	review GSHI corr	MR	0.2
	revise Staff sub	MR	0.4
	review Bd letter	MR	0.1
	emails/review PP letter	MR	0.3
	review Interim Order	MR	0.1
	review decision/emails	MR	0.3
			68.1