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To: All Participants in EB-2020-0152
All Other Interested Stakeholders

Re: Consultation on Implementing the Process for Enabling Customers to Opt

Out of Time-of-Use Pricing

Ontario Energy Board File No: EB-2020-0152

On <u>June 3, 2020</u>, in response to the Government of Ontario's announcement that it intends to provide consumers on the Regulated Price Plan who pay time-of-use (TOU) prices the choice to opt out of TOU pricing in favour of tiered prices starting November 1, 2020, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) initiated a consultation on implementing the new opt-out mechanism.

As part of the consultation, the OEB invited stakeholders to volunteer to participate in a TOU Customer Choice Working Group. The OEB received numerous expressions of interest – so many that accepting them all might hinder the efficient exchange of ideas that the Working Group is meant to facilitate. With a view to ensuring that the diversity of electricity distributors is adequately reflected on the Working Group given the technical issues to be considered, as well as representation by consumer groups and other relevant stakeholders, the OEB has selected the following organizations as members of the Working Group:

- 1. Alectra Utilities
- 2. BEworks Inc.
- 3. Building Owners and Managers Association
- 4. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. / Algoma Power Inc.
- 5. Consumers Council of Canada
- 6. Cornerstone Hydro Electric Concepts
- 7. Electricity Distributors Association
- 8. Entegrus Powerlines Inc.
- 9. Hydro One Networks Inc.

- 10. Hydro Ottawa Limited
- 11. Independent Electricity System Operator
- 12. London Hydro
- 13. Low-Income Energy Network
- 14. Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.
- 15. North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited
- 16. NorthStar Utilities Solutions
- 17. Planet Energy Inc.
- 18. Synergy North
- 19. Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited
- 20. Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

Only one individual from each organization can participate in each meeting of the Working Group, although it need not be the same individual at each of the meetings if the matter to be discussed at a given meeting calls for the expertise of a different representative.

As indicated at the initial stakeholder meeting, the first meeting of the Working Group will take place online on Tuesday, June 16. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. Login details will be provided to the Working Group under separate correspondence.

Any questions relating to this consultation should be directed to Shona Adamson at shona.adamson@oeb.ca. Those without access to email may call the OEB's toll-free number: 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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