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August 7, 2020

Christine E. Long Registrar and Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, P.O. Box 2319 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long,

RE: EB-2020-0059 Waterloo North Hydro 2021 Rates Application Energy Probe Intervenor and Cost Eligibility Request Letter

Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) hereby applies for intervenor status and cost eligibility in the EB-2020-0059 proceeding, the application by Waterloo North Hydro to the Ontario Energy Board for the approval of its 2021 rates.

Statement of Interest

Energy Probe is a non-profit environmental and consumer organization which promotes economic efficiency in the use of resources. It will be representing its many individual residential customer supporters. Energy Probe argues for equitable rates that optimize results for all ratepayers by eliminating cross subsidies between ratepayer classes and between generations of ratepayers. It promotes sustainable resource use through individual responsibility and accountability. More information about Energy Probe can be found on the OEB website.

https://www.oeb.ca/industry/applications-oeb/intervenor-information/annual-filings-frequent-intervenors

Energy Probe's interest in this proceeding is the impact on customers of the 2021 rates and service charges proposed by Waterloo North Hydro. Energy Probe will focus on the reasons for the decline in the load forecast and the increases in the OM&A, service charges, capital expenditures and the rate base.

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Hearing

Energy Probe hopes that all issues can be resolved through settlement negotiations and that a hearing will not be necessary. However, if a hearing is required, Energy Probe plans to be an active participant in the hearing, whether it is in an oral or written form.

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 proceedings would be very limited. Energy Probe intends to seek a cost award in this proceeding, and expects to intervene responsibly, cognizant of the Board's guidelines regarding cost awards.

Communications

Communications relating to this Intervenor and Cost Eligibility Request Letter and all documents filed with the Board by the applicant and required by Energy Probe, should be directed to consultants:

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of Energy Probe.

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