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

**RE: EB-2020-0013 Elexicon Energy Veridian Rate Zone 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-2020-0013 proceeding, the application by Elexicon Energy to the Ontario Energy Board for the approval of its proposed Veridian Rate Zone 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>

As part of its application, Elexicon advised the OEB of “*its plan to file one or more ICM projects along with an integrated DSP in 2021*”. Elexicon indicated that “*it expects to have the additional information related to costs and timing of the ICM projects available in order to file a complete ICM by the end of April 2021*”. Energy Probe’s interest in this proceeding is limited to the impact on customers of the ICM projects and the integrated DSP. Energy Probe plans to participate in the proceeding after Elexicon files its ICM and DSP evidence.

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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 believes that it could be in written form depending on Elexicon's responses to interrogatories and technical conference questions.

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 and of the restriction on cost awards in the Notice of Application. Energy Probe hopes that the OEB will review its restriction once Elexicon files its ICM and DSP evidence.

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 its consultant:

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of Energy Probe.

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