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Dear Ms. DeMarco:

**Re: Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. (Niagara Peninsula Energy)  
2021 Cost of Service Rate Application  
Ontario Energy Board (OEB) File Number: EB-2020-0040**

On December 10, 2020 the Distributed Resource Coalition (DRC) filed a letter with the OEB seeking clarification to the OEB's decision in the Decision on Issues List, Confidentiality and Interim Rate Order, issued December 4, 2020. The DRC requested clarification as to whether or not, by rejecting the proposed issues, the OEB:

- a) Has accepted the Niagara Peninsula Energy's non-wires alternatives (NWA) and related financial evidence without a hearing.
- b) Intends that the NWA and related financial evidence will be heard and considered by the OEB pursuant to Issue 1 in the Approved Issues List.

This is to clarify that the issue related to NWA has not been decided. Furthermore, the OEB is of the view that the sub-issues proposed by DRC are subsumed under Issue 1.1 (Capital) of the Approved Issues List and it is not necessary to further expand the scope of that issue.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar