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Registrar Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor, P.O. Box 2319, Toronto, ON, M4P 1E4

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RE: **Potential Member of the RPPAG** Regional Planning Process Review Consultation Ontario Energy Board File No: EB-2020-0176

Dear Registrar

Please accept this letter as my re-application for a position on the RPPAG.

As a member (and Vice Chair) of the prior RPPAG I bring to the position the 'institutional' knowledge of the initial work of the Advisory Group and its processes. I was one of two representatives from the Northwest on the RPPAG and brought to the table my knowledge of the Northwest and consultation in that region.

As Chair of the Common Voice Northwest Energy Task Force, a public research organization focussing on the energy needs of the Northwest, I have bene the lead in ensuring that a broad cross section of interested parties participate in the former subregional planning process led by the IESO. I have also provided coordination functions in the preparation of a series of interventions with the Ontario Energy Board on both electrical and natural gas applications under consideration. The Common Voice Northwest Energy Task Force under my leadership continues to research load requirements across the region and input that information to the IESO for consideration in the development of regional plans. The Energy Task Force continues to work directly with the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association and area Chambers of Commerce to inform them of the issues and solutions related to the supply of energy to the region.

I am currently a member of the following energy related organizations:

- Ontario Chamber of Commerce Energy Council of behalf of the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce
- Waasigan Community Roundtable
- Northwest Regional Electricity Network of the IESO

I regularly and actively participate in a broad range of IESO information sessions as well as coordinating Energy Task Force sessions with the IESO. In fact, earlier this month I participated in the first re-instituted IESO regional planning session for the Northwest.

I coordinate the responses by the Energy Task Force for comments on draft policy documents issued by the Ministry of Energy, Hydro One, OPG and the IESO.

On a related note, in a number of roles over the decades I have conducted and/or planned region wide consultations on a variety of issues from transportation, electricity, economic development to pipelines. As a Vice-President of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association for 15 years I gained a significant understanding of the people, geography and issues facing the Northwest. In that role I regularly met with the Ontario Cabinet and individual Cabinet members on issues effecting the region.

I was also a member of Thunder Bay City Council for 15 years, however I retired in 2018.

Cost Eligibility

I hereby request approval for cost eligibility for my participation in the RPPAG for any costs incurred by the undersigned for travel, accommodation and meals in order to participate in in-person meetings held in Toronto.

I look forward to being able to continue to participate in the RPPAG to assist in the evaluation of the next round of regional electricity planning.

Respectfully submitted

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