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VIA RESS AND EMAIL

Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Attention: Christine E. Long,
Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Long:

Re: EB-2020-0290: Ontario Power Generation, 2022-2026 Payment Amounts Application

1. The Building Owners and Managers Association ("BOMA") seeks intervenor status and cost award eligibility in the above noted proceeding.
2. BOMA is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings.

Description of the Intervenor and its Membership

3. BOMA represents over 800 Ontario Property and Facility Owners, Managers, Developers, Leasing Agents, and Commercial Real Estate Professionals. Its members account for 80 per cent of all commercial and industrial real estate companies throughout Ontario. BOMA's members are large consumers of energy throughout the province, and are affected by any changes in Ontario Power Generation's rates and terms of services.
4. Over the years, BOMA has been active in protecting and advancing the interests of its members on such important policy issues as energy pricing and supply, property taxes, labour requirements, building materials and equipment regulations. BOMA continues to work at all levels of government providing a voice for Commercial Property owners throughout Ontario.
5. BOMA has been a major and constructive participant in numerous previous cases.

Interest of the Intervenor in the Proceeding and the Grounds for the Intervention

6. BOMA's members own and operate many of the buildings that house the financial heart of Canada; all of which are reliant on electricity for most of their end uses – cooling, elevators, lighting, computer power, etc.

The results of this hearing have the potential to change the fundamentals of electricity generation in Ontario. In Ontario Power Generation's own words, this hearing is significant:

“By the end of this IR term, OPG will be a very different organization. Then, as now, however, it will continue producing low-cost power for Ontario, delivering a climate change plan that promotes decarbonization and advances Ontario's objective of becoming a net-zero carbon economy by 2050, and supporting the province's economic recovery from the COVID-19 8 pandemic. OPG will do this while removing approximately \$460M from the company's OM&A, building and relocating its corporate headquarters, and continuing to promote workforce equity, diversity and inclusion.

BOMA is particularly interested in the following: impacts on costs, environmental benefits, and the operations of this “very different organization”.

BOMA has participated in most major proceedings since 2008. We look forward to continuing to express the views of a significant ratepayer group in this hearing.

Nature and Scope of the Intervenor's Intended Participation

7. BOMA intends to participate in all pre-hearing procedures, including such interrogatories, technical conferences, or settlement conference, as the Board may direct. It also intends to participate in any written or oral hearing for which the Board may provide.

Intention to Seek an Award of Costs

8. As a representative of a large sector of energy consumers throughout Ontario, the commercial, office, retail and institutional building owners and managers, BOMA seeks a cost award in this proceeding.

Addresses of Representatives

9. BOMA requests that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to the following representatives in electronic form only:

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BOMA respectfully requests your acceptance of this intervention and confirmation that it will be eligible for costs.

Yours truly,

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