

Green Energy Coalition (GEC) Annual Information Submission, January 2021

As a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings, GEC provides this annual filing pursuant to the Board's April 24th, 2014 revision of rule 22.03 (b) of its Rules of Practice.

Coalition Members:

The Green Energy Coalition is an unincorporated coalition of environmental groups currently comprised of:

- Greenpeace Canada
- The Sierra Club, Ontario Chapter
- The Hamilton 350 Committee

GEC's member groups are all non-profit organizations. All are active on environmental and energy policy matters in Ontario.

Mandate and Objectives:

GEC was originally formed in 1989 to facilitate joint participation in the Joint Board's Demand Supply Plan proceeding and was then known as the Coalition of Environmental Groups for a Sustainable Energy Future (CEG).

The coalition was formed to achieve economies of scale in intervention and thereby the alleviation of the burden of intervention on the individual groups and to achieve a corresponding reduction in duplication before the hearing tribunal. This remains the case today.

GEC has participated or intervened in over 100 OEB proceedings, consultations and related committees that touch upon the interests of its member groups in regard to energy use in Ontario. GEC advocates for enhanced energy efficiency and the reduction of adverse environmental impacts due to the production, transmission, distribution and use of energy. In particular, GEC has played a primary role in DSM and CDM matters before the Board and in opposing supply side expenditures that are environmentally and economically sub-optimal.

Membership and Constituency Represented:

GEC member groups have over 30,000 supporters residing in Ontario.

Programs or activities:

GEC activities include intervention before administrative tribunals and related court proceedings and participation in legislative proceedings and government policy consultations.

Appointment and authorization of representatives in Board proceedings:

GEC is governed by a steering committee that includes one member from each member group. Currently the committee is comprised of:

- Shawn-Patrick Stensil for Greenpeace Canada Foundation, and
- Christine Ellwell for Sierra Club , Ontario
- Don McLean for the Hamilton 350 Committee

The GEC through its steering committee has authorized:

- Mr. David Poch to act on its behalf as counsel in Board proceedings and in related consultations and committees and to retain alternative counsel, representatives and experts as required.
- Mr. Kai Millyard to act as research director and represent it in OEB proceedings and in related consultations and committees as required.

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