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Ms. Christine Long
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**Re: EB-2021-0180 OEB Innovation Sandbox Renewal Consultation
Pollution Probe Participation Request**

Dear Ms. Long:

Pollution Probe received the notice for the above noted consultation and hereby applies for participant status and requests that it be eligible for the recovery of reasonably incurred costs for its participation. Pollution Probe represents a direct consumer and policy interest related to this proceeding and partners with consumers and other stakeholders on issues specifically relevant to the OEB's Innovation Sandbox.

Pollution Probe is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings and a copy of our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board's website at the following location:

<http://www.rds.oeb.ca/HPECMWebDrawer/Record/647508/File/document>

Goals and Objectives

Pollution Probe intends to participate actively in all elements of this consultation, including small group meetings, written comments, supporting materials (as appropriate) and would also be available to discuss issues in one-on-one meetings if deemed valuable by the OEB. Pollution Probe is also able to leverage input and knowledge from the Ontario consumers, communities and other partners that we collaborate with, including on issues related to innovation sandbox best practices. Pollution Probe is currently collaborating on an Innovation Sandbox project to encourage and enable the innovation needed to meet our low-carbon targets through the use of Innovation Sandboxes in jurisdictions across Canada.

Intention to Seek Cost Awards

Pollution Probe is a not-for-profit charitable organization. We receive individual donations as well as funding for consumer and research projects, such as on community energy planning, future of natural gas and regulated utility innovation, from a variety of public and private sources. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Pollution Probe's ability to participate in the consultation process would not be possible.

Pollution Probe has been an active and valuable participant in proceedings before the Ontario Energy Board and will continue to coordinate its activities, where appropriate, with other parties which represent consumer, municipal and environmental interests in Ontario.

Pollution Probe respectfully requests your acceptance of this request to participate and confirmation that it will be eligible for its costs.

Notice

Pollution Probe requests that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to:

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of Pollution Probe.



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