

## FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT KITCHENER UTILITIES

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## **BY E-MAIL & COURIER**

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Ontario Energy Board

Attn: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
P.O. Box 2319

2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor
Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: <u>EB-2008-0150 – Consultation on Energy Issues Relating to Low Income Consumers – Request to Participate by City of Kitchener ("Kitchener")</u>

Pursuant to the Ontario Energy Board's ("Board's") Notice and Invitation dated July 2, 2008, Kitchener wishes to participate in this consultation process.

As Kitchener owns and operates a public natural gas utility serving energy consumers in its service territory, including low income consumers, Kitchener has an interest in the outcome of this consultative process as it may impact its policies and approach to serving such consumers.

Kitchener does not expect to seek costs in this consultation process.

If there are any questions or concerns with this request for participation, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

James A. Gruenbauer, CMA

Manager, Regulatory Affairs and Supply

Cc: W. Malcolm (Kitchener)

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