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

Attention: Ms. Nancy Marconi, Registrar

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. (Milton Hydro)

EB-2022-0049: Cost of Service Rate Application for 2023 Electricity Distribution Rates (Application) – Response to Intervenor Request

On May 11, 2022, Milton Hydro posted the Notice of Hearing for the above referenced proceeding (the Notice) on its website and served the Notice by electronic mail directly on all customers for which it has an email address and appropriate permissions to use it. On May 24, 2022, Milton Hydro was advised by OEB Staff about an intervenor request from, among others,

O.J.L. Shewchun. We are writing in response to Ms. Shewchun's intervenor request.

In her email requesting intervenor status, Ms. Shewchun states the following: "I am a member of the Nassagewya Community Consultation Committee [sic] (NCCC). NCCC is a rural committee which deals with rural issues. Milton Hydro provides electricity to the rural community. I am asking to be an intervenor in the above application...". While not entirely clear, Milton Hydro assumes that Ms. Shewchun intends to intervene on behalf of the NCCC. In this regard, Milton Hydro notes that Ms. Shewchun has not provided any evidence demonstrating that she has been duly authorized or appointed by the NCCC (or by their members) for the purpose of intervening in this proceeding. Her email states that she is a member of the NCCC, however, membership in an organization or classification under a particular class of persons alone would not give rise to standing to intervene on behalf of such organization or persons.

Furthermore, Ms. Shewchun provides no explanation regarding the relevant interest in the proceeding. Ms. Shewchun's notice of intervention does not provide any details about the NCCC, its members and mandate. It does not state whether NCCC and/or its members are customers of Milton Hydro. Other than general references to the "cost of service increase" and customer engagement related questions, the email fails to identify the nature and scope of Ms. Shewchun's intervention, let alone a "substantial interest" as is required for intervenor status under Rule 22.02 of the OEB's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Lastly, Milton Hydro submits that one or more of the other intervenors who have also requested intervenor status (i.e. frequent intervenors) would adequately represent the interests of Ms. Shewchun and/or NCCC, as is typically the case in distribution rate proceedings. Duplication in intervenor participation would result in inefficiencies and delays throughout the proceeding.

Yours truly,

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