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Via RESS

Ms. Nancy Marconi Registrar **Ontario Energy Board** 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

RE: Stakeholder Meeting on Non-RPP Class B Pilot Program Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2022-0079

Consultation Participation and Cost Award Eligibility Request - Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators

Jupiter Energy Advisors Inc. (Jupiter) has been retained by the Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators (OAPPA) to assist the association on matters related to the above-noted consultation. Jupiter is submitting this letter on behalf of OAPPA.

OAPPA is requesting OEB approval to participate in the EB-2022-0079 consultation, scheduled for July 28 (and any subsequent related events), as well as to be deemed an eligible person to receive cost awards in the consultation. OAPPA provides the following information:

- OAPPA is a not-for-profit organization whose membership includes the physical plant administrators for provincially-assisted universities in Ontario. OAPPA uses an estimated 1.2 TWh of electricity annually, as received through a variety of distributors and via the Independent Electricity System Operator. Almost all members have both Class A and non-RPP Class B accounts, which may be affected by the results of the pilot. As a result, OAPPA member universities have a direct interest in this consultation. OAPPA wishes to participate to ensure that any changes to non-RPP Class B rates are fair and reasonable and do not cause undue financial harm to OAPPA members.
- 2. OAPPA also seeks a determination that it is eligible for an award of costs. With respect to the cost eligibility criteria set out in section 3.03 of the Ontario Energy Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards, in particular criterion (a), OAPPA represents the direct interests of certain ratepayers (institutional energy consumers) in relation to regulated services. Please note that in the past, OAPPA has been determined to be eligible for cost awards.

- 3. The information required by Section 3.03.1 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards is provided in the attachment to this letter.
- 4. OAPPA requests that all correspondence and documents be provided directly to Jupiter's consultant and representative for this consultation:

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OAPPA further requests that all correspondence and documents be directed to:

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Should you have questions or require further information, please contact me at the above email address or telephone number.

Yours truly,

Gia M. DeJulio

cc. Michael Goncz, Jupiter Energy Advisors (<u>Michael.goncz@askjupiter.ca</u>) Scott Walker, Jupiter Energy Advisors (<u>scott.walker@askjupiter.ca</u>) Nathan Splinter, OAPPA / Queen's University (email) <u>ClassB.pilot@oeb.ca</u>

Attach.

ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL PLANT ADMINISTRATORS

Information Required by Section 3.03.1 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards

The Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators (OAPPA) is a not-for-profit organization. Its membership includes the physical plant administrators for the following institutions:

Algoma University College	Toronto Metropolitan University
Brock University	University of Toronto
Carleton University	University of Toronto – Mississauga
University of Guelph	University of Toronto – Scarborough
Lakehead University	Trent University
Laurentian University	University of Ontario Institute of Technology
McMaster University	University of Waterloo
Nipissing University	Western University
Ontario College of Art and Design University	Wilfred Laurier University
University of Ottawa	University of Windsor
Queen's University	York University

OAPPA's Mission Statement: To assist higher education facilities, officers and staff develop, maintain and promote high standards and professional ideals for the management of campus facilities.

The objective of OAPPA is to promote co-operation among physical plant administrators of the provincially-assisted universities of Ontario, and other groups, on matters relating to staff development and planning, construction, operation and maintenance of facilities. The OAPPA Energy Committee meets regularly to review and discuss provincial government reporting. The committee is also involved with the sector-wide benchmarking of energy performance, energy purchasing and hedging strategies, and market analysis.

OAPPA participates in Ontario Energy Board proceedings through its Energy Committee. Its participation focuses primarily on the rate and rate-related proceedings of its distributors and its regulated suppliers. The majority of OAPPA members are customers of Ontario's large- to medium-sized electricity utilities, but some are also direct customers of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). From an operating perspective, the rate structures, rate levels, and terms and conditions of service of the utilities, the IESO and Ontario Power Generation are of direct and significant importance to OAPPA.

Consistent with the main objective of OAPPA, most interventions are conducted through the association rather than by individual members. Since issues are frequently of common interest, an OAPPA intervention provides the opportunity to address matters in a coordinated, efficient, and cost-effective way.

OAPPA is assisted in its interventions at the Ontario Energy Board by its external advisor, Jupiter Energy Advisors Inc. Jupiter performs a number of functions with respect to OAPPA's interventions: providing case management services, assisting OAPPA to understand the issues and identify those on which it will participate actively, advising on the formulation of positions, and representing OAPPA at the Board. The Chair of the OAPPA Energy Committee is Jupiter's primary contact, and the current Chair of this Committee is Mr. Nathan Splinter, Manager – Energy and Sustainability, Queen's University. The individuals who are Jupiter's representatives for a given OAPPA intervention are provided in its letter of intervention.