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**Attn: Nancy Marconi, Registrar**

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: EB-2022-0295 – DSM Stakeholder Advisory Group**

We are counsel to the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"). We are writing this letter with respect to the nominations for the Stakeholder Advisory Group ordered by the OEB in EB-2021-0002, as more particularly set out in the OEB's letter of December 8, 2022.

We note that as of this morning there do not appear to be any nominations posted on the OEB's website, although we know a number of people are in the process of being nominated or have had nominations forwarded to the OEB in past weeks.

With respect to the nomination by IGUA of the undersigned, **Jay Shepherd**, SEC has directed us to make clear that SEC fully supports his nomination. It should be noted that Mr. Shepherd is nominated for the SAG, but is currently a member of the EAC. While Mr. Shepherd is happy to continue on the EAC as well as the SAG, we note that renewal of the membership of the EAC over the next couple of years, particularly with new local stakeholder members, is probably a good idea. Although retaining current EAC membership for continuity during the immediate change ordered in EB-2021-0002 is understandable and preferred, once the new format is well established new blood on the EAC could benefit all parties.

SEC is aware that a nomination for **Chris Neme** is being sent to the OEB by the Green Energy Coalition. We have worked with Mr. Neme on DSM matters for 20+ years, and urge the OEB to ensure that Ontario continues to have the benefit of his expertise on both EAC and SAG. As the OEB is likely aware, Mr. Neme's contributions over the years to Ontario DSM policy and oversight have been second to none.

We have not seen a nomination for **Dr. Ted Kesik**, a member of the EAC since its inception (and the TEC prior to that), and currently Professor of Building Science at University of Toronto. His contributions to DSM work in Ontario have been valuable, and we would be concerned if he



did not continue on the committee. In addition, his regular insights into program design and management at EAC meetings have been notable, so membership by Dr. Kesik on the SAG would be beneficial. If a nomination has not been filed for Dr. Kesik, SEC would be pleased to nominate him.

Finally, we have also not seen a nomination for **Bob Wirtschafter**, also an EAC and TEC member since the beginning. Mr. Wirtschafter is an evaluation specialist whose technical knowledge has been invaluable over the years. Continuing Mr. Wirtschafter on the EAC is highly recommended. As with Dr. Kesik, SEC would nominate him if a nomination has not been received from any other party.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jay Shepherd", written over a light blue rectangular background.

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cc: Brian McKay, SEC (by email)  
Interested Parties (by email)