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August 7, 2023

VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Nancy Marconi Registrar (registrar@oeb.ca) Ontario Energy Board Toronto, ON

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2023-0188 Evaluation of Policy on Utility Consolidation

In response the Board's letter of July 27, 2023 (attached) VECC would like to express its interest in the above noted proceeding.

The consultants to receive future materials and notices are:

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Cost Awards

VECC/PIAC will be seeking the recovery of its prudently incurred costs. VECC is registered as a frequent intervenor before the Board. Our interests are ensuring that any proposed policy changes with respect to mergers and consolidations are made with consideration to the interest of low-income consumers. Unless otherwise directed our practice is to limit conference attendance costs to that of a single participant in conformance with the Board's past direction.

We trust this is sufficient to meet the requirements of Appendix A set out in the letter of July 27, 2023. If not please contact me at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Mark Garner Consultants for VECC/PIAC