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# Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.

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VIA MAIL and FAX

Re: SEC Request For Intervenor Status  
Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. Application for 2009 Electricity  
Distribution Rates - Board File No EB-2007-0755

Dear Ms. Walli,

Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. is in receipt of a request to the Ontario Energy Board from the School Energy Coalition (SEC) to register as an intervenor in our rate application. The request claims that SEC represents 5000 schools and 2 million students but prior discussions with our local school boards has led us to believe that they are unaware of such representation.

SEC was approved by the O.E.B. to intervene in our 2006 rate application and their first question to us requested the list of schools within our operating territory. Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. contends that SEC does not have local representation in our community. We ask that the O.E.B. reject this request for intervenor status unless SEC can produce names and contact information of Niagara-on-the-Lake schools that have knowingly provided consent for representation.

We do support the Board's mandate to ensure just and reasonable rates and the opportunity for ratepayers within our community to intervene. However, unnecessary intervention, over and above the Board's scrutiny adds cost to the same schools and students in NOTL that they claim to represent. Our application is not complex and does not warrant multiple provincially-based

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intervenors.

We therefore request that SEC not be granted intervenor status in this proceeding on the basis that they have no representation within Niagara-on-the-Lake and whose participation would add unnecessary cost with no tangible value.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Huntingdon", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jim Huntingdon  
President.