

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998,  
being Schedule B to the Energy Competition Act, 1998 S.O. 1998, c.15;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** and Application by SYNERGY NORTH CORPORATION to the Ontario Energy Board for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other service charges for the distribution of electricity for the years 2024-2028.

**AFFIDAVIT OF AARON BLAZINA  
SWORN SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**


I, Aaron Blazina, of the City of Thunder Bay in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

1. I am the Vice President, Finance, Regulatory Affairs & Purchasing of SYNERGY NORTH CORPORATION ("SYNERGY NORTH") and as such, I have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed.
2. Pursuant to Paragraph 1a) of the Ontario Energy Board's (the "OEB's") September 6, 2023 Letter of Direction, I did cause a copy of the Notice of Hearing and the application and the evidence (and any amendments thereto), to be served directly by email on intervenors in the past proceedings EB-2018-0233, EB-2016-0105 and EB-2010-0135.
3. Pursuant to Paragraph 1b) of the Letter of Direction, I did arrange for the service of the Notice of Hearing, the application and the evidence to be served directly on all customers for which SYNERGY NORTH has an email address and appropriate permissions to use the email address to send utility or regulatory information with the following email message: "Synergy North Corporation has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to change our electricity distribution rates. Please review the Ontario Energy Board's Notice of Hearing to learn more and to find out how you can participate in the Ontario Energy Board's Hearing." The email attached a copy of the Notice and included the words "Notice of Hearing" within the email message, as well as a live link to the Notice posted on SYNERGY NORTH's website.
4. Pursuant to Paragraph 2 of the Letter of Direction, SYNERGY NORTH is prepared to provide a copy of the Notice of Hearing, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material. The same is available on SYNERGY NORTH's website at <https://synergynorth.ca/corporate/legal-regulatory/>.
5. Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of the Letter of Direction, SYNERGY NORTH tweeted the following message on Sept 8, 2023: "We have applied to the @OntEnergyBoard to change our electricity distribution rates. Learn more. Have your say." The tweet provided a live link to the notice posted on SYNERGY NORTH's website.

6. I make the Affidavit pursuant to Paragraph 4 of the Letter of Direction and for no other or improper purpose.

Sworn before me at the City of  
Thunder Bay, in the Province of  
Ontario this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023

  
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Notary Public in and for the Province  
of Ontario

