February 12, 2024

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor P O Box 2319 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Attn: Board Members, Ontario Energy Board (OEB)

Re: Support for E.L.K. Energy Inc. 2024 ICM Application

The Essex Business Improvement Association (the "BIA") is pleased to provide this letter of support for E.L.K. Energy Inc.'s ("E.L.K.") 2024 Incremental Capital Module ("ICM") application to the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB").

The ICM application relates to E.L.K. investments in switch technology that will directly reduce customer outages in the Town of Essex due to the Loss of Supply. The installation of this technology is a reflection of E.L.K.'s commitment to improving the reliability of its electricity system.

The BIA Board of Directors supports the prospect of a more modern, robust and reliable electricity system, and with it, the prospect of economic development and support for electric vehicle growth.

We thank you for your time and consideration in this matter and please contact me at any time should you wish to discuss these matters further.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Winger
Stephanie Winger (Feb 12, 2024 15:41 EST)

Stephanie Winger, Board Chair Essex Centre BIA