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VIA E-Mail: [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca)

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar  
Ontario Energy Board  
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Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Consultation on a Capacity Allocation Model for System Expansions to Connect Housing Developments – VECC Nomination for the Advisory Group  
Ontario Energy Board File No: EB-2024-0092**

On November 21, 2024, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) initiated a consultation to develop a capacity allocation model (CAM) to address issues related to system expansions for connecting housing developments, which builds on the recommendations set out in the OEB's Report to the Minister of Energy and Electrification. A technical advisory group is being established by OEB staff to assist in developing the CAM and rules for its implementation. The OEB's November 21, 2024 letter invites stakeholders to volunteer to participate on a CAM Advisory Group (CAMAG).

The Vulnerable Energy Consumer Coalition nominates Ms. Shelley Grice, Regulatory Consultant for VECC, to participate on the CAMAG. Through Ms. Grice's regulatory work reviewing electricity rate applications on behalf of VECC, she understands regulatory policy, cost allocation principles and how cost allocation models operate. She has advised on numerous submissions by VECC related to cost allocation issues and has been involved in many OEB policy consultation Working Groups such as the Reliability and Power Quality Review, Transmission Connections Review, and Vulnerability Assessment and System Hardening. In representing VECC on the CAMAG, Ms. Grice will work closely with Bill Harper, VECC's Senior Regulatory Consultant who has extensive cost allocation expertise and experience.

VECC was formed in 1999 with the intent of representing the interests of residential consumers in matters of energy regulation and policy where those consumers, by reason of age, income, tenure or place of residence, language, literacy, or other infirmity may experience greater hardship than other residential consumers as a result of increased rates or policies that place demands on customers. These same consumers may have difficulty, or lack the resources to ensure that their voice is heard by regulators and policy makers deciding upon energy issues.

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VECC has intervened in hundreds of OEB hearings since the date of its formation in 1999, and shares in the credit for the efficacy of the intervenor participation process in affecting decisions that have advanced the public interest and resulted in reductions in utility demands and just and reasonable rates.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) is an unincorporated coalition of two major Ontario organizations, the Ontario Society of Senior Citizens' Organizations and the Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations, facilitated by the assistance of a national non-profit corporation and registered charity, the Public Interest Advocacy Centre.

VECC is interested in participating on the CAMAG and expects to provide input on technical issues and solutions to assist OEB staff in developing the CAM.

VECC asks that all correspondence on this matter be directed to Ms. Grice as follows:

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VECC appreciates the OEB's consideration of its nomination.

Yours truly,

For:

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