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Ontario Energy Board
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Attn: Ritchie Murray, Acting Registrar

Dear Mr. Murray:

Re: EB-2025-0014 – Oshawa Power 2026 Rates – Hearing Estimates

We are counsel for the School Energy Coalition (SEC).

SEC intends to cross-examine the Applicant's witnesses on all of the unsettled issues, with our cross-examination divided into three segments:

1. Capital-related issues (1.1, 1.2, and 7.3)
2. OM&A-related issues (2.1 and 2.2)
3. DVA-related issues (6.1)

Issues 3.5 and 5.6 would be dealt with in the context of the other issues listed above.

SEC's original estimate was two hours for each of the first two, and 20 minutes for the last. However, in light of the limited disclosure the Applicant has provided, we expect that our cross-examination on capital-related issues may take three to three and a half hours.

We also intend to cross-examine the expert witness, and will seek a *voir dire* to challenge the expertise of the witness. This should not take more than 30 minutes in total (challenge plus cross).

SEC notes that the Applicant proposes to have a single panel to deal with all issues, with the exception of the expert witness. This is, of course, their prerogative. After discussions between the intervenors to co-ordinate our cross-examinations, SEC proposes to the OEB that the cross-examinations be ordered by subject area, rather than have a single intervenor do all of their cross-examination on all issues, then go on to the next. We believe that, if for example all cross on capital-related issues by all parties takes place first, then everyone on OM&A, then DVAs, the Commissioners will get a better understanding of the evidence and the issues than if all of the issues are jumbled together.

Also, we note that, if each intervenor does all of their cross at once, then SEC, likely to go first, would probably take all of the first day, and perhaps even some of day 2. The discontinuity of our



cross on capital-related issues, and that of CCC or CCMBC, for example, would be inefficient and potentially confusing.

SEC is not objecting to the single witness panel, which is up to the Applicant. Rather, we are asking the Commissioners to stipulate an efficient cross-examination order.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

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