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December 23, 2008

Mr. Michael Buonaguro
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Dear Mr. Buonaguro:

**Re: Hydro Ottawa Limited
2009 Incentive Regulation Mechanism (2009 IRM) Rate Application
Board File Number EB-2008-0188
Notice of Intervention of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC")**

The Board confirms VECC as an intervenor in the above noted proceeding, subject to Hydro Ottawa Limited's right of reply to your request within 10 days of the mailing of this letter.

The Board has determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under its Practice Direction on Cost Awards for this rate proceeding, as amended on November 14, 2008. This determination is subject to Hydro Ottawa Limited's right of reply to your request within 10 days of the mailing of this letter.

The Practice Direction on Cost Awards and related forms are available on the Board's Web site at www.oeb.gov.on.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

cc: Mr. Roger Higgin, Consultant, Econalysis Consulting Services