

August 21, 2012

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

Attention: Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

**Re: Haldimand County Hydro Inc.
Smart Meter Cost Recovery Application (EB-2012-0272)
Affidavit Proving Publication and Service of Notice**

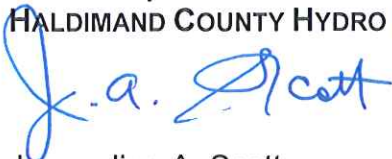
Dear Ms. Walli:

This letter is in accordance with the Board's "Letter of Direction" issued July 31, 2012, and in particular the following item:

4. "To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and, where applicable, service of the Notice immediately thereafter;"

Please find enclosed two hard copies of this Affidavit, as sworn by a Commissioner of Oaths, dated August 20, 2012, along with (i) a copy of the Notice as published in each of three local newspapers; and (ii) a copy of emails serving Notice directly on all intervenors of record in the previous cost of service rate application proceeding EB-2009-0265 and on our Embedded Distributor. An electronic copy has also been submitted today through the Board's *Regulatory Electronic Submission System* ("RESS").

Yours truly,
HALDIMAND COUNTY HYDRO INC.



Jacqueline A. Scott
Finance Manager

Encl.



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AFFIDAVIT PROVING PUBLICATION and SERVICE OF NOTICE

HALDIMAND COUNTY HYDRO INC. NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE BOARD FILE NO. EB-2012-0272

I, Nicole Mitchell, hereby certify that the "Notice of Application And Hearing For An Electricity Distribution Rate Change" (the "Notice"), as provided by the Ontario Energy Board with it's Letter of Direction issued July 31, 2012, was published in the following newspapers (copies attached) within the service territory of Haldimand County Hydro Inc.:

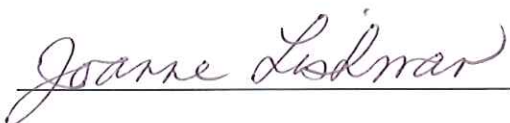
- The *Chronicle* dated August 15, 2012;
- The *Haldimand Press*, dated August 15, 2012; and
- The *Sachem & Gazette*, dated August 16, 2012.

I further certify that the Notice was served directly on the following parties, by email dated August 7, 2012 (copies attached):

- Hydro One Networks Inc. (Embedded Distributor); and
- Intervenors on Record – 2010 Cost of Service Rate Application (EB-2009-0265)
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation c/o Randy Aiken
 - School Energy Coalition c/o John De Vellis
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition c/o Michael Buonaguro
 - Ms. Lisa Pryor.

SWORN BEFORE ME in)
Haldimand County)
In the Province of Ontario,)
this 20th day of August, 2012)
)


Nicole Mitchell
Executive Assistant
Haldimand County Hydro Inc.
August 20th, 2012



Joanne Elizabeth Lishman, a
Commissioner etc. Norfolk and
Haldimand Counties. for McCarthy
& Fowler. Barristers and Solicitors.
Expires December 1 2013.

Ontario Energy
BoardCommission de l'énergie
de l'Ontario

EB-2012-0272

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The Board has assigned the application file No. EB-2012-0272. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on Haldimand's metered customers.

How to see Haldimand's Application

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How to Contact the Board or Haldimand County Hydro Inc.

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DATED at Toronto, July 31, 2012
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By
Kristen Hall
Board Secretary

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Board

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Sherry Graham

From: Sherry Graham
Sent: August-07-12 10:07 AM
To: 'Susan.E.Frank@HydroOne.com'
Cc: Jackie Scott; Lloyd Payne
Subject: Haldimand County Hydro Inc.- Smart Meter Cost Recovery Application (EB-2012-0272)-"Notice of Application"
Attachments: NoAH_Haldimand_EB-2012-0272_20120731.pdf

Attention: Susan E. Frank, Vice President and Chief Regulatory Officer, Regulatory Affairs
Hydro One Networks Inc.

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Regards,

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Sherry Graham

From: Sherry Graham
Sent: August-07-12 10:08 AM
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Cc: Jackie Scott; Lloyd Payne
Subject: Haldimand County Hydro Inc.- Smart Meter Cost Recovery Application (EB-2012-0272)-"Notice of Application"
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