Via email to boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca



March 15, 2021

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

Re: OEB file number, EB-2020-0246

Dear Board Secretary,

FOCA writes today to request status as intervenor in the upcoming matter of EB-2020-0246.

As a long-standing participant in this matter, the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (FOCA) seeks the opportunity to speak once again on behalf of the many Hydro One Seasonal class customers represented in FOCA 's membership of over 500+ member community associations from across the Province. Ontario's waterfront property owners are represented in every Hydro One rate class but significantly, comprise the bulk of the approximately 147,000 Hydro One Seasonal Rate class customers.

Since the official notice was distributed to customers by Hydro One, FOCA has heard from many of our members (and many others) about the considerable impacts this decision will have on household budgets, notably by those 80,000 customers that will be reclassified into the R2 low density customer class. FOCA has spoken to this matter at the OEB numerous times and our concerns remain.

If the OEB insists on pursuing this change, FOCA will be seeking some assurance that not only will the implementation take place in an orderly fashion with adequate advance notice, but also that there will be mitigation in place to lessen the sevewre impacts this change will surely bring to so many customers.

Further, it will be our contention that the customers in the R2 class, regardless of dwelling occupancy, should be eligible to receive the Rural and Remote Rate Plan (RRRP) assistance rebates.

We look forward to the opportunity to participate in writing in any future hearing on this matter.

Respectfully,

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