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Attention: Ms. Erica Hamilton, Secretary to the Commission

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Dear Ms. Hamilton,
Re: BC Hydro - 2015 Rate Design Application - Letter of Comment re Sharon Noble
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It has come to my attention that Sharon Noble's intervener status has been rescinded by the Commission's office because the "Meter Choice" and Smart Meter Program are not part of the Rate Design Application. The very fact that BC Hydro wants to increase the reconnection fee for denied meter access is proof that the "Meter Choice" and Smart Meter Program is in fact part of this RDA.

This hearing is important to me because I have taken the 'choice' of keeping my analogue meter. Both my son and I are diagnosed as having EHS, having written Doctors notes from both my general Doctor and a Specialist in EMR. I am forced to pay the \$32.40 a month to make sure that myself and my son don't get sick from a decision BC Hydro made with no public input and against the recommendations of the BCUC. With reference to the \$700 reconnection charge for denied access to the meter, and the \$32.40 monthly charge for 'meter reading' the analogue meters, I find them to be punitive and discriminatory for those who don't want a Smart Meter due to safety and health reasons. The BC Utilities Act states that it is illegal to discriminate and charge some customers a different rate for the same service, yet BC Hydro is getting away with doing just that.

In conclusion, I ask that Sharon Noble be allowed to represent me and my concerns and I strongly support reinstatement of her intervener status.

Sincerely,

Lori Hoffmann,
BCHydro ratepayer