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Yukon Utilities Board
Box 31728
Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 6L3
Attention: Mr. Bruce McLennan, Chair

**Re: Yukon Energy Corporation – 2012 / 2013 General Rates Application
Depreciation Witness Panel**

Dear Mr. McLennan:

The Utilities Consumers' Group is in receipt of YEC's request to not provide the witness from KPMG to testify on the depreciation study submitted in this application, but to adopt his evidence by way of affidavit.

UCG concurs with this request, with a few caveats of our own:

First, UCG submits that the percentage of IRs submitted on an issue representative of all IRs within a proceeding is not an indication of the level of interest. IRs are submitted to get clarification of what is being proposed by the applicant to assist parties with their positions.

The fact that there were 60 IRs submitted on depreciation should indicate that there is enough interest in this issue to ensure that YEC is prepared to speak to it at the hearing.

Second, while it is always up to the applicant to determine how best to present and defend its proposals, UCG submits that YEC should be prepared to answer all questions at the hearing regarding the impacts of the depreciation study and to defend its proposals that are based on the KPMG study.

Third, if YEC is required to undertake responses to questions, which requires time to confer with KPMG after the hearing, UCG requests that YEC should be directed to ensure that undertaking responses are submitted at least one week in advance of the November 28th deadline for final argument.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the above.

Yours truly,

Roger Rondeau
Utilities Consumers' Group