## 3. <u>John H. Fowler</u>

i) Mr. Fowler made a submission at the route stage hearing and presented data and arguments which addressed alternatives to transmission, particularly conservation. It is a requirement of the Environmental Assessment Act that alternatives to the undertaking and alternative methods of carrying out the undertaking be discussed in the environmental assessment. This was done in both the plan stage and the route stage environmental assessments, and was examined at length at the public hearings before the Joint Board. As discussed in Ontario Hydro's reply to Mr. Stonier's petition, the Joint Board stated that the issues relating to alternatives had been adequately addressed, and none of the petitions in connection with this matter provide any arguments or evidence which should lead the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor in Council to disturb this finding.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is Ontario Hydro's submission that the decision of the Joint Board should be confirmed in its entirety and that the petitions filed herein should be denied.

ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 30th day of January, 1986.

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