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Elliot Lake Inquiry  
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Motion: For Standing

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Please accept this written letter as my request for Standing at the Elliot Lake Inquiry.

Victim Services of Algoma was the lead agency which staffed the Information Centre at the Collins Hall immediately after the collapse of the Algo Mall and for the following four days. I myself attended the hall, and was in attendance from June 23, 2012 until the evening of June 26, 2012 when we transitioned the centre over to the longer-term agencies in Elliot Lake.

Victim Services of Algoma had ongoing contact with the families of the two deceased individuals, Lucie Aylwin and Doloris Perrizolo at the time of the collapse and for weeks afterwards – assisting with funeral expenses, counselling services, etc. It is my belief that Victim Services of Algoma has a vested interest in the inquiry.

I am seeking standing with respect to the emergency management and response to the collapse of the Algo Centre Mall. Specifically in regards to the response by the Ontario Provincial Police to the Aylwin and Perrizolo families. During the tragedy, the media and members of the general public were placed ahead of the families. Repeatedly, press releases were made prior to speaking to the families. I am interested in the policies, processes and procedures as they relate to victims and their families in similar situations.

Victim Services of Algoma has no legal representation.

Respectfully yours,

Robin Kerr  
Executive Director  
Victim Services of Algoma