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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Duffy:

**Re: Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) / Smart Metering Entity
Application for Smart Metering Charge for 2018-2022
Ontario Energy Board File No.: EB-2017-0290**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for the Smart Metering Entity's 2018-2022 Fee Application (Notice). Please note that you must serve the Notice to the parties identified below **within fourteen days** of the date of this letter. If service is not possible within fourteen days, you must inform the Registrar immediately at Registrar@oeb.ca.

Further, you had requested that your proposed draft Issues List be provided for comment along with the Notice. The OEB will address matters related to an issues list later in the proceeding.

You are directed:

1. To arrange immediately for the service of the enclosed English and French versions of the Notice, in the exact form accompanying this letter, except:
 - a. For the English version of the Notice, under the sections entitled "**BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY**" and "**ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**" remove the bold and bracketed words "**[insert actual date 10 calendar days from the date the notice is posted on the applicant's website]**"; and

- b. For the French version of the Notice, under the sections entitled “**SOYEZ RENSEIGNÉ ET DONNEZ VOTRE OPINION**” and “**AUDIENCES ÉCRITES OU ORALES**” remove the bold and bracketed words “[insérer la date, 10 jours suivant la date de publication sur le site Web du demandeur]”; and
 - c. In each of the English and the French version of the Notice, insert the same date which shall be determined by adding 10 calendar days to the date that each of the English and French versions of the Notice will be posted on the IESO’s website in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 3 below. If that date falls on a “holiday” as defined in Rule 6.02 of the OEB’s *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, insert the next date that is not a holiday. Use the following date format “**January 1, 2014**” for the English Notice and the following date format for the French Notice “**1 janvier 2014**”.
2. Once the the requirements of paragraph 1 are completed, to immediately and prior to completing any other steps required in this letter of direction, file with the OEB a pdf version of the complete (dated) Notice (Dated Notice).
3. To make a copy of both the English and French versions of the Dated Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at the IESO’s office.
4. To create a link titled “Smart Metering Entity’s 2018 -2022 Fee Application” on the “Regulatory Accountability” page on the IESO’s website and to post under this link the English and French versions of the Dated Notice, the application and any amendments thereto. To also create a link titled “Smart Metering Entity’s 2018-2022 Fee Application” on the Smart Metering Entity page on the IESO’s website that links to the information on the “Regulatory Accountability” page.
5. No later than the date the Dated Notice is posted on the IESO’s website in accordance with paragraph 4 above, to serve a copy of each of the enclosed English and French versions of the Dated Notice and the application directly on:
 - a. all registered intervenors in OEB proceedings EB-2012-0100 / EB-2012-0211 and EB-2016-0284
 - b. all electricity distribution companies that currently recover the Smart Metering Charge from eligible customers on behalf of the IESO.
6. To file with the OEB an affidavit in both electronic and paper forms proving completion of the matters in paragraphs 1 through 5 above immediately thereafter.
7. To provide a copy of the Notice, application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any documents or materials when serving the Notice other than documents or materials expressly required by this letter of direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Kristi Sebalj
Registrar
Office of the Registrar

Encl.