

January 18, 2019

Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street  
P.O. Box 2319  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4  
Attn: Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

*Via the Ontario Energy Board Web portal*

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: **EB-2018-0316**

The Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) is writing to seek intervenor status in the above-named proceeding.

The EDA is the voice of Ontario's local distribution companies (LDCs) and represents the interests of over 60 publicly and privately owned LDCs in Ontario. The distribution sector delivers electricity to 5 million residential, commercial, industrial and institutional customers throughout the province.

Our LDC members have a significant interest in the above-named proceeding. They are responsible for the ownership and operation of the smart meters deployed throughout Ontario that record and gather electricity consumption data for Ontario's small volume consumers: the residential and small general service <50kW customers. This data is at the heart of the application. LDCs are also responsible for securing and protecting this data (e.g., from inappropriate access, from access by unauthorized parties), for billing the Smart Metering Charge (SMC) to these customers monthly, for collecting the amounts remitted by customers, and for flowing these amounts to the Smart Meter Entity (SME).

The EDA intends to actively and responsibly participate in all aspects of this proceeding (e.g., testing the SME's written pre-filed evidence, attending Technical Conferences, filing Submissions). The EDA's focus will be informed by the issues that small volume consumers raise

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with our LDC members (e.g., testing that information and information sharing is appropriately secure) and our members concerns for the cost effective and efficient provision of service. The EDA is uniquely able to test the IESO's proposals concerning third party access to data as our members have considerable direct and relevant experience with these issues, albeit on a lesser scale.

The EDA will not seek an award for costs, per the Board's Cost Award Guidelines, and will not use the French language.

The EDA requests one (1) copy of the Application and of the written pre-filed evidence.

Please direct all correspondence to the individuals named below:

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Sincerely,

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