

**INTERROGATORIES FOR THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY
2011 REVENUE REQUIREMENT
FROM THE CONSUMERS COUNCIL OF CANADA**

1. (Ex. A/T1/S1/p. 1)

The evidence indicates that the OPA submitted its Business Plan to the Minister and that the Minister approved the Business Plan. Did the OPA making any adjustments to its plan as a result of the review by the Minister, prior to approval? If so, what changes were made?

2. (Ex. A/T4/S1/p. 4)

For each of the four Conservation areas please provide detailed budgets for 2010 and 2011.

3. (Ex. A/T4/S1/p. 5)

For each of the four Electricity Resources areas please provide detailed budgets for 2010 and 2011.

4. (Ex. A/T4/S1/p. 6)

For each of the three Legal, Aboriginal and Regulatory Affairs areas please provide detailed budgets for 2010 and 2011.

5. (Ex. A/T4/S1/p. 7)

For each of the six Power System Planning areas please provide detailed budgets for 2010 and 2011.

6. (Ex. B/T2/S1/p. 1)

Please explain how the OPA ensures that the LDCs will deliver the OPA-contracted programs in a cost-effective manner. By what criteria, and in what way, does the OPA assess the performance of the LDCs? What remedies does the OPA have if LDCs are not delivering their programs in a cost-effective manner? Has the OPA ever determined that a LDC is not delivering OPA-contracted programs in a cost-effective manner? If so, please provide the details of that circumstance.

7. (Ex. B/T2/S1/p. 1)

In the period 2011-2014 LDCs are required to deliver 1330 MW of provincial peak demand savings and a reduction of 6000 GWhs of electricity over that same period. What is the expected annual cost of all of the programs for each year 2011-2014? How does the OPA decide what the annual expenditures for these programs will be?

8. (Ex. B/T2/S1/p. 14)

Please file the EM&V Protocols and Requirements for the 2011-2014 period. Please describe the process the OPA will use to publish its EM&V results.

9. (Ex. D/T1/S1/p. 2)

Please explain how the OPA made the decision to recover its fees from export customers. Did the OPA get explicit approval from the Minister to recover its fees from export customers? If so, please provide all correspondence with the Ministry regarding this issue.

10. (Procedural Order No. 2 and Issues Decision)

In the Board's Decision on the Issues List the Board stated "It is not the Board's intention or role to micromanage the OPA's work. But ratepayers have a legitimate expectation, in light of the Board's authority to review the OPA fees that its work will be efficiently and effectively carried out, and in line with the specific mandates it has received from Government." Please explain, in detail, how the OPA ensures that its work is efficiently and effectively carried out. How can ratepayers be assured that the funds it provides to the OPA are spent in a cost-effective manner? By what criteria, and in what way, does the OPA internally assess efficiency and effectiveness?

11. (Ex. D/T2/S1/p. 3)

The OPA has indicated that it is reducing its consulting costs due to the use of more in-house capacity to communicate with local distribution companies, stakeholders and local communities and the general public. Please explain how the OPA developed its 2011 budget for Professional and Consulting Fees. Please describe the process the OPA uses to retain legal and consulting assistance. Are all contacts subject to RFP processes? if not, why not?

12. (Ex. D/T2/S1/p. 7)

Please provide a detailed 2011 budget for the legal and technical costs associated with the negotiation of the Power Purchase Agreements with the Korean Consortium.

13. (Ex. D/T2/S1/p. 9)

Table 5 sets out Professional and Consulting Costs. Please provide 2008 and 2009 costs. For each of the items (Audit, Legal, Stakeholder and Other) for 2011 and 2010, please provide a detailed budget. For example what are all of the components of "Other"?

14. (Ex. D/T2/S1/p. 13)

Please explain in detail what the planned enhancements for Computer Hardware and Software will be. Please provide a detailed break-down of the \$2.2 million.