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BY EMAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2701
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Board File No. EB-2011-0043
Regional Planning for Electricity Infrastructure**

1. The Independent Electricity System Operator (the "IESO") wishes to participate in the Ontario Energy Board's (the "Board") consultation on regional planning for electricity infrastructure.
2. The IESO is a non-profit, non-share capital corporation established under the *Electricity Act, 1998* to administer the Ontario wholesale power markets and to direct the operation and maintain the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid. The IESO forecasts demand for electricity in the province and assesses whether the existing and proposed generation and transmission facilities are adequate to meet Ontario's needs. It does this through the publication of the Ontario Reliability Outlook and the quarterly 18-Month Outlook. The IESO also assesses the impact of connection proposals on the reliability of the integrated power system.
3. The IESO will not be seeking an award of cost for this consultation.
4. All materials related to this consultation should be addressed to:

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Yours truly,

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