

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*
(the "*Act*"), S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Ontario Power Generation Inc. under section 92 of the Act for an order or orders granting leave to construct a new 230 kV double circuit transmission line approximately 3 km in length to facilitate the transmission of increased output from its Smoky Falls Generating Station into the IESO-controlled grid.

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTRICITY SYSTEM OPERATOR**

1. The Independent Electricity System Operator (the "IESO") seeks to intervene in the proceeding for the purpose of participating in the hearing of this matter.
2. The IESO is established under the *Electricity Act, 1998* to administer the Ontario wholesale power markets and to direct the operations and maintain the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid. In particular, the IESO's responsibility for maintaining the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid is more precisely set out in the Market Rules which, among other things, obligates the IESO to undertake a connection assessment ("System Impact Assessment") of any proposed new or modified connection to the IESO-controlled grid in order to assess and address the reliability impact on the integrated power system in accordance with applicable reliability standards and criteria and performance requirements. The IESO's System Impact Assessment is a requirement in all electricity leave to construct applications; accordingly, it forms part of the pre-filed evidence in this application. As such, the IESO is an interested party whose interest may be affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

3. The IESO intends to participate by, *inter alia*, making written submissions and responding to pertinent enquiries as necessary, or as requested by the Board with respect to the IESO's review and assessment of the reliability impacts of the proposed project. The IESO takes no position on whether the Board should deal with this matter by way of a written or an oral proceeding.
4. The IESO wishes to receive copies of all evidence filed by the applicant and intervenors. The IESO asks that copies of all filed materials be sent to the IESO at the address set out below.
5. The address of the IESO is:

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6. The IESO will not be seeking an award of costs for its intervention.

DATED at Toronto this 15th day of July 2011.

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