

November 19, 2015

Ontario Energy Board
Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
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2300 Yonge Street
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Re: Review of Miscellaneous Rates and Charges (EB-2015-0034)- Establishment of the Pole Attachment Working Group

Dear Ms. Walli:

The Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) is interested in participating in the OEB's Pole Attachment Working Group (PAWG). The EDA is the voice of Ontario's local electricity distribution sector, which consists of municipally and privately owned local distribution companies (LDCs). The distribution sector delivers electricity to 5 million residential, commercial, industrial and institutional customers throughout the province. The sector employs 10,000 people directly and holds \$19 billion in assets; it has \$1.9 billion in annual capital spending and \$1.6 billion in annual operational spending; and makes hundreds of millions in direct contributions to both municipal and provincial revenues.

The EDA is seeking to participate in this working group as it has been extensively involved as an intervenor in several OEB consultations and hearings with respect to pole attachments on local electricity distribution (LDC) poles. The EDA was an active intervenor and filed evidence in the following OEB hearings:

- RP- 2003-0249: an application by the Canadian Cable Telecommunications Association (CCTA) seeking access to LDC poles for the purposes of supporting cable television transmission lines
- EB- 2011- 0120: an application by the Canadian Distribution Antenna Systems Coalition (CANDAS) seeking access to LDC poles for the purposes of attaching wireless telecommunications equipment
- EB-2013-0234: an application by Toronto Hydro seeking an order pursuant under Section 29 of the OEB Act that the Board refrain from regulating the terms, conditions and rates of wireless telecommunications equipment to Toronto Hydro's poles

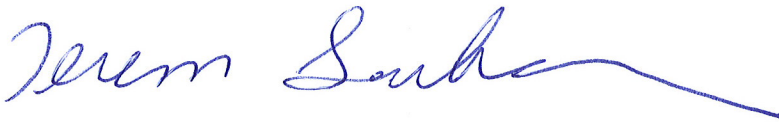
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