



EB-2017-0150

Independent Electricity System Operator

**Application for approval of 2017 revenue requirement,
expenditures and fees**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2
July 17, 2017**

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on April 21, 2017 under section 25 (1) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*, seeking approval for the IESO's 2017 expenditures, revenue requirement and fees.

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, OEB staff and some intervenors filed comments on the draft issues list prepared by the IESO, and the IESO responded to those comments.

The OEB would be aided by broader submissions on the issues. As part of the comments, some issues have been proposed that raise questions on the scope of authority for the IESO and the OEB. Of particular interest is the issue raised by the Association of Power Producers of Ontario (APPrO) on the Wholesale Market Service Charge and the issues on the IESO's Market Renewal Program raised by Energy Probe and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC). The OEB emphasizes that this is not an opportunity for parties to propose new issues for the issues list.

To accommodate this new round of comments, the OEB will extend the dates for interrogatories and submitting plans for expert evidence that were set out in Procedural Order No. 1. All other dates in that Order remain unchanged.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Any party that wishes to provide further comments on the issues may file written submissions with the OEB and deliver them to all parties by **July 27, 2017**.

2. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from the IESO that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **August 17, 2017**.
3. OEB staff shall inform the OEB by letter of their plans to file expert evidence in this proceeding **by August 25, 2017**. Intervenors shall inform the OEB by letter of their plans to file expert evidence in this proceeding, and the estimated costs including assumptions regarding the participation of the expert in the proceeding and incremental time that will be spent by the intervenor's counsel or any other consultant(s) in relation to the expert evidence also by **August 25, 2017**. The OEB may re-schedule the Settlement Conference to allow for the filing of evidence.
4. The IESO shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors and OEB staff by **September 7, 2017**.
5. A Settlement Conference among the parties and OEB staff will be convened on **September 14, 2017** starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on September **15, 2017**.
6. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **September 29, 2017**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether the parties believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.
7. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties within 7 days from when a settlement proposal is filed.
8. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, the IESO shall file a statement to that effect with the OEB by **September 20, 2017**. In that event, parties shall file and serve on the other parties by **September 25, 2017** any submissions on which issues could be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2017-0150, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <https://www.oeb.ca/industry>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date. With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Michael Lesychyn, at Michael.Lesychyn@oeb.ca, and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler, at Ian.Richler@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **July 17, 2017**

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