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Via Email and Courier

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Dear Ms. Walli:

Requirements under the Independent Electricity System Operator's Licence: EI-2013-0066

In accordance with the IESO's Licence, section 6, item i) *provide the Board with any directions to the Licensee from the Minister, whether contained in a Ministerial directive or other document*, I am writing to provide the Ontario Energy Board with two copies of the following August 4, 2017 direction from the Minister of Energy:

Updated Need Assessment for the East-West Tie

This letter requests that the IESO prepare an updated need assessment for the East-West Tie transmission project, consistent with the scope of previous need assessments requested by the Ontario Energy Board, to be delivered to the Ministry by December 1, 2017.

All Ministerial directions to the IESO are posted to its website and may be accessed through the link provided: <http://www.ieso.ca/en/corporate-ieso/ministerial-directives>.

Yours truly,



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Att.

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