



November 6, 2017

Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
P.O. Box 2319
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4
Attn: Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli,

Re: EB-2017-0290

The EDA is in receipt of the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) Procedural Order No. 1 issued in the above-named matter. Through this letter, the EDA provides its submission on the draft Issues List attached to Procedural Order No. 1.

The EDA submits that the OEB augment the Proposed Issues List to address:

- the SME's future provision of additional services to LDCs and third parties such as third party access to data in the MDM/R;
- the appropriate costing methodology for the implementation and ongoing costs incurred to provide additional services;
- the treatment of revenues recovered pursuant to the provision of additional services when computing the proposed Smart Metering Charge;

The EDA understands that the Smart Metering Entity (SME) is taking steps to fulfill OEB Orders to the IESO's SME concerning third party access to Ontario's smart meter data, including dealing with privacy requirements. The EDA notes that the subject application discloses a portion of the costs of the plan and references a future submission, to be filed as early as 2018, that will provide a model for third party access and may address monetizing this access. The EDA submits that since the subject application seeks rates effective for 2018-2022 it is appropriate to understand how the recovery of costs of the plan impacts the SME's revenue requirement that is to be recovered through the Smart Metering Charge that will operate over this period.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Teresa Sarkesian', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Teresa Sarkesian
President and Chief Executive Officer

cc: all parties

Electricity Distributors Association