

# MowatENERGY

MOWAT'S ENÉRGY POLICY HUB

October 26, 2018

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board, 27th Floor  
2300 Yonge Street, Toronto  
ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms Walli:  
Re: EB.2018-0165 Toronto Hydro Electric System Limited  
Application

## Notice of Intervention of Mowat Centre

Please find enclosed the Notice of Intervention of Mowat Centre in the above-noted proceeding. We have also directed same to the Applicant.

Yours truly,

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## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

IN THE MATTER OF AN  
APPLICATION BY TORONTO HYDRO  
ELECTRIC SYSTEM LIMITED

2018-0165 DISTRIBUTION CUSTOMER  
APPLICATION

### **NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF THE MOWAT CENTRE**

To Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary  
And to: TORONTO HYDRO ELECTRIC SYSTEM LIMITED

#### **IDENTITY OF THE INTERVENOR AND ITS MEMBERSHIP**

Mowat Centre hereby expresses its intention to intervene and participate in the abovementioned proceeding.

The Mowat Centre is a public policy think tank and research organ under the auspices of the University of Toronto School of Public Policy and Governance.

Mowat Centre's address is  
439 University Avenue  
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Mowat Centre, through its energy hub, Mowat Energy (Mowat), is engaged in independent evidence-based research and analysis on systemic energy policy issues facing Ontario and Canada as well as thought leadership to stakeholders, decision makers and the public to assist in the evolution of the regulatory and policy environment.

Mowat has done considerable work on emerging energy trends in other jurisdictions, and has prepared a comprehensive Report focussed on that research. Mowat convened a stakeholder Conference at MaRS Centre on that subject. That work identified a number of significant trends which have important implications for utilities such as the Applicant. One objective of that work has been to examine whether, and if so in what ways and to what extent, those trends will affect Ontario's distribution system, its utilities, its ratepayers, and its energy markets. Mowat has also written and sponsored a number of other relevant research papers which are reflected on our website as "On The Grid". These papers address a wide range of relevant subjects.

Mowat's focus is always the public interest.

It is our intention to provide policy analysis associated with the subject application based on the evidence filed in the application and our understanding of international and national developments in the area.

Mowat intends to participate in the Board's proceeding, and reserves the right to file Interrogatories and Argument, should circumstances make that advisable.

#### INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT MOWAT IN THIS PROCEEDING:

Mowat requests that electronic copies of the application and any further Additional supporting materials be sent to :

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Mowat is requesting that one (1) copy of the application and proceeding materials be sent to its offices at 439 University Avenue, Suite 2200, Toronto, ON M5G 1Y8.

#### GROUND FOR THE INTERVENTION

The TORONTO HYDRO ELECTRIC SYSTEM LIMITED application advances a multi year custom incentive rate plan. The Application necessarily invokes consideration of a wide variety of significant policy components, including the orderly and economic integration into its system of new Distributed Energy Resources, the possible creation of new customer classes, and possible inter- class rates issues. We believe that the participation of Mowat as an intervenor will materially assist the Board in its consideration of the many and varied policy elements of the application.

#### INTERESTS OF THE INTERVENOR

Mowat is intervening in order to ensure that the policy implications of the proceeding are fully and fairly represented in its consideration. Mowat, as a research hub focused on such issues is, we believe, uniquely equipped to provide a relevant, expert and credible perspective.

#### INTENTION TO SEEK COST AWARDS

While Mowat's engagement will be measured, Mowat will be requesting an award of costs for its participation in this proceeding and believes that it meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Section

41) and its' Practice Direction on Cost Awards (Section 3.03).

DATED AT TORONTO, October 26, 2018