

March 4, 2019

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

Via the Ontario Energy Board Web portal

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: EB-2019-0002

The Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) seeks intervenor status in the Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) 2019 fees case.

The EDA is the voice of Ontario's local distribution companies (LDCs) and represents the interests of over 60 publicly and privately owned LDCs in Ontario. In 2017, the distribution sector delivered over 125TWh of electricity to 5 million residential, commercial, industrial and institutional customers throughout the province.

Ontario's LDCs have a significant interest in the above-named proceeding:

- LDCs are impacted by the IESO's fulfillment of its cyber security duties
- The IESO's Market Renewal Project is expected to
 - o impact the commodity price of electricity for entities, like LDCs, that are directly connected to the IESO Administered Market
 - provide new opportunities for LDCs and distribution connected devices to participate in the IESO Administered Market
- LDCs need to be appropriately prepared to respond to questions from consumers, including among other things, about the IESO's costs that are recovered through the Wholesale Market Charge
- Approximately 80% of the proposed fees will be recovered by LDCs.

The EDA intends to responsibly participate in all aspects of this proceeding (e.g., testing the IESO's written pre-filed evidence, attending Technical Conferences, filing Submissions).

The EDA will not seek an award for costs, per the Board's Cost Award Guidelines, and will not use the French language.

The EDA requests one (1) copy of the Application and of the written pre-filed evidence.

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