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BY E-MAIL

April 18, 2019

Patricia Phillips Executive Director Energy Storage Canada 777 Bay Street, Unit C208B Toronto ON M5G 2C8 pat.phillips@energystoragecanada.org

Dear Ms. Phillips:

Re: Late request for intervenor status and cost eligibility Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) Application for Approval 2019 Expenditures, Revenues and Fees OEB File Number: EB-2019-0002

This letter is in response to your letter dated April 12, 2019, on behalf of Energy Storage Canada (ESC), requesting intervenor status and cost eligibility in the EB-2019-0002 proceeding on the IESO's expenditures, revenues and fees for 2019.

The deadline for requesting intervenor status, as set out in the Notice of Hearing, was March 4, 2019.

Although the IESO did not object to your request, it did express concerns about delaying the timeline established for the proceeding.

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) denies your request.

Interested parties are expected to abide by the deadlines established for proceedings. Although the OEB will sometimes approve late requests for intervenor status, normally it will not do so unless it is satisfied that there was a good reason for missing the deadline. Your letter did not provide any explanation of why the deadline was missed by nearly six weeks. More importantly, during those six weeks the issues list for this proceeding was established and interrogatories were submitted. The OEB is not satisfied that ESC has a "substantial interest" in the proceeding, within the meaning of Rule 22.02 of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*. Your letter states that "ESC has a strong interest in how energy storage fits into the scope of the IESO's market renewal project and workstreams," but it is not apparent how that interest corresponds to any of the issues on the OEB-approved issues list¹ for this proceeding, which is an application for approval of 2019 expenditures, revenues and fees.

A more appropriate forum for raising the ESC's concerns may be the IESO's market renewal stakeholder engagement process.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar Office of the Registrar

c: All parties in EB-2019-0002

¹ Decision on Issues List, March 28, 2019 (EB-2019-0002).