



September 11, 2019

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Re: Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) 2019 Fees Application
AMPCO Interrogatories on Updated Market Renewal Program Evidence
Board File No. EB-2019-0002

Dear Ms. Walli:

Attached please find AMPCO's interrogatories in the above proceeding.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Colin Anderson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Colin Anderson
President
Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario

EB-2019-0002

Independent Electricity System Operator

**Application for approval of 2019 revenue requirement,
expenditures and fees**

AMPCO Interrogatories on Updated Market Renewal Program Evidence (August 26, 2019)

September 11, 2019

AMPCO-35

Ref: C-2-2 P1

The updated evidence states "On July 16, 2019, the IESO announced that it would cease to move forward with the Incremental Capacity Auction (ICA) high level design (HLD) published in March of 2019, but would proceed to implement enhancements to the Demand Response auction that will continue to evolve over time into an enduring auction mechanism.

- a) Please provide copies of all documentation provided to the IESO's Board of Directors since the announcement.
- b) Please provide copies of all documentation between the IESO and the Province since the announcement.

AMPCO-36

Ref: C-2-2 P1

The IESO indicates that "along with the limited capacity needs for Ontario in the future, the current path of the HLD had a lack of stakeholder support to proceed with detailed design."

- a) Please explain what the assumption was for capacity needs for Ontario in the future, in the Incremental Capacity Auction (ICA) High Level Design (HLD) in March of 2019.
- b) Please explain the reasons for the lack of stakeholder support.
- c) Please explain how stakeholder concerns are addressed through the revised approach to MRP.

AMPCO-37

Ref: C-2-2 P1

The IESO indicates it remains committed to providing open, transparent and competitive mechanisms for acquiring capacity and allowing a variety of resource types to compete. It will initiate an engagement with stakeholders on alternative approaches that could work in concert with auctions to meet capacity needs.

- a) Please outline the strategy and timeline for the above proposed engagement with stakeholders.
- b) Please provide the number of resources and costs in 2019 related to the above stakeholder engagement.

AMPCO-38

Ref #1: C-2-1 P11 Table 8

Ref #2: C-2-2 P4

At reference #1, the 2019 MRP Capacity Capital budget is \$11.3 million.

At reference #2, the 2019 MRP Capacity budget is \$12 million.

Please explain the variance.

AMPCO-39

Ref: C-2-2 P3 Table 2

- a) Please explain the \$2 million variance, Budget compared to Actual, for January 2019 to June 2019.
- b) Please detail the work activities and associated costs to be undertaken July 2019 to December 2019.
- c) Please discuss if the 2019 Capacity Forecast of \$4.8 million includes an amount for contingency. If yes, please provide a breakdown of the contingency by cost category.

AMPCO-40

Ref #1: OEB Staff 14 Updated August 26, 2019

Ref #2: OEB Staff 14 April 30, 2019

Please explain why the monthly headcount actuals for Dec 2018, Jan 2019, February 2019 and March 2019 differ between the two responses.

AMPCO-41

Ref #1: BOMA 6 Updated August 26, 2019

Ref #2: BOMA 6 April 30, 2019

At reference #2, the headcount for MRP is 125. At reference #1, the revised headcount is 73, a variance of 52. At C-2-2 P4 Table 4, the 2019 Capacity Work Stream headcount is decreasing from 55 to 27, a variance of 28. Thus of the MRP variance in headcount of 52, 28 is related to the Capacity Work Stream. Please account for the further variance in headcount of 25 (52-28=24).