

Independent Electricity System Operator

2020 Interim Fees

DECISION ON INTERIM FEES

December 17, 2019

On December 12, 2019, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) filed a letter with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) requesting that its approved 2019 usage fees¹ be made interim from January 1, 2020 until the end of the month in which the IESO receives OEB approval of its 2020 usage fees. The letter states that the IESO will file its application for 2020 fees once the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines has approved its 2020-2022 Business Plan.

Findings

The IESO's request is approved. The IESO made similar requests for its 2017, 2018, and 2019 usage fees to be made interim as of January 1 of each year, which were approved by the OEB. The OEB notes that, under section 25 of the *Electricity Act, 1998*, the IESO is not permitted to apply for new fees until the Minister has approved the business plan.

This determination to allow interim fees is made without prejudice to the OEB's ultimate decision on the IESO's 2020 revenue requirement submission once filed, and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the OEB's final determination of the IESO's 2020 fees or of the effective date of such fees.

¹ EB-2019-0002, Decision and Order, December 5, 2019.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Effective January 1, 2020, the IESO shall charge the OEB-approved 2019 usage fees of \$1.227/MWh for domestic customers and \$1.0125/MWh for export customers on an interim basis.

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DATED at Toronto, **December 17, 2019**

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