

Registrar and Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

April 1, 2021

Dear Ms. Long,

Re: Framework for Energy Innovation: Distributed Resources and Utility Incentives (EB-2021-0118)-Invitation to Nominate Working Group Members

London Hydro herein nominates Luke Seewald, Director of Customer Service and Metering at London Hydro, to participate on the FEI WG. London Hydro believes Luke's extensive background will bring the relevant and appropriate experience and qualifications necessary to provide valuable input to the discussion, helping to ensure the OEB is provided with informed recommendations.

Luke's resume is attached, which we believe will inform the OEB of his qualifications.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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EDUCATION

 2012 - 2013 York University, Schulich School of Business, Canada Masters Certificate in Energy Sector Leadership

 Energy strategy, industry collaboration, public sector performance and change management

 2008 - 2010 Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University, The Netherlands

 Full Time Master of Business Administration in General Management
 MBA advanced career concentration: Services Marketing

1994 - 1998 Queen's University, Kingston, Canada

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (Honours) - Power Systems Focus

- IEEE award winning thesis for design and fabrication of novel 28GHz antenna
- Class President and member of Queen's University Senate
- Recipient of Engineering Society Award for outstanding service

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017-Present London Hydro, London, Canada

Local Electrical Distribution Company

- Director Customer Service and Metering (2017-Present)
- Manage metering, billing, contact centre, account management, credit & collections functions
- Developed metering solutions for net-zero community energy systems
- Led introduction of customer thermostat program for energy conservation and real-time data
- Co-created Class A performance tool resulting in over \$15M in savings for London customers
- Negotiated with Union resulting in successful collective agreement
- Developed energy and cost prediction tool using neural network and machine learning
- Member of IESO Smart Metering Entity Steering Committee

2010-2016 London Hydro, London, Canada

Local Electrical Distribution Company

- Director Metering Services and Various Roles (2010-2016)
- Manage advanced electricity metering (ISO 9001), water meter reading, data and billing systems
- Utility Lead on Smart City strategy steering committee for City of London
- Responsible for over \$3.4M in annual operational budget including metering field operations
- Developed strategy and business planning for OEB capital, maintenance and operations rate filing
- Negotiated & secured \$27.5M in work with City of London including additional new services
- Led go-to market strategy for new energy customer engagement analytics products

2009 THE TECHNOPOLICY NETWORK, SCIENCE ALLIANCE, The Netherlands

Regional Economic Development Consultant

- Project Manager
- Created internal consultancy strategy including cost accounting process and marketing plan
- Organized international innovation seminar focusing on regional economic development
- Initiated business proposals resulting in US\$150k sales

2005 – 2008 KLEER SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION, Kanata, Canada

Successful Low-Power Wireless Technology Startup

Product Interoperability Lead

- Supervised competitive market research (IEEE 802.11bgn, Wi-Fi, Bluetooth)
- Created corporate wireless audio interoperability strategy and technical whitepapers
- Organized tradeshows, customer product demos resulting in design wins
- Authored marketing requirements resulting in successful new consumer product
- Designed and verified semiconductor wireless microchip resulting in first-pass success

Luke Seewald P.Eng, MBA, CEM

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (Continued ...)

1999 – 2005 Nortel Networks, Ottawa, Canada

Telecommunication Equipment

- Applications Engineer Semiconductor Design
- Introduced productivity metric program that resulted in US\$700,000/year reduced costs
- Created a custom integrated project management and scheduling tool
- Managed strategic supplier relationships with IBM, Texas Instruments and ST Microelectronics
- Developed and tested carrier-grade internet networking products (MPLS, IP, SONET, CDMA)

1998 – 1999 SEMICONDUCTOR INSIGHTS, Kanata, Canada

Reverse Engineering and Competitive Intelligence Services

- Account Manager, Intellectual Property Services
- Accountability for over US\$160k technical service sales
- Business development with strategic global intellectual property professionals

1994 – 2001 DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, Kingston and Ottawa, Canada

Defence Information Systems Organization, Communication Reserve *Captain - Communication and Electronics Officer*

- Directed \$300k in financial and resource planning for a 19 vehicle, 130 soldier Regiment
- Led a 22 soldier unit that deployed radio communication and power generation equipment
- Managed electronic warfare detachments on successful international deployments
- Earned "Reardon Sword" top officer award

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Seewald L., Sharma V. "Demand Response Dispatch Approach for Electrical Distribution Systems" IEEE EPEC Conference 2013 (IEEE EPEC 2013 Paper Award)

Grolinger K., L'Heureux A., Capretz M.A.M., Seewald L., **"Energy Forecasting for Event Venues: Big** Data and Prediction Accuracy" Energy and Buildings, Elsevier, Volume 112C, 2016, Pages 222-233

Grolinger K., Capretz M.A.M., Seewald L., "Energy Consumption Prediction with Big Data: Balancing Prediction Accuracy and Computational Resources" Big Data Congress, 2016

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & SKILLS

- Member of Professional Engineers of Ontario (PEO)
- Member of Instrumentation and Measurement Society (IEEE)
- Certified Energy Manager (CEM) Association of Energy Engineers
- Certified Change Management Practitioner Prosci Canada



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