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This communication responds to OEB moving forward with the consultation on Utilities Remuneration and Distributed Energy Resources (DER) Integration but under a new file number and name: EB-2021-0118 *Framework for Energy Innovation: Distributed Resources and Utility Incentives (FEI)*.

In response to stakeholder feedback, the OEB is convening a Working Group and has outlined two workstreams to address near-term priorities and invited stakeholders to nominate participants:

1. **Workstream # 1 - DER Usage:** This workstream is to investigate and support utilities' use of DERs they do not own as alternatives to traditional wires solutions to meet distribution needs. This includes defining an approach to measuring benefits of certain DER use cases relative to costs, something we've identified as critical.
2. **Workstream # 2 - DER Integration:** This workstream is to ensure that utilities' planning is appropriately informed by DER penetration and forecasts.

The Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME) would like to nominate Strategic Policy Economics as their representative on this working group and within these work streams. Strategic Policy Economics has been actively representing us in the recent OEB DER consultations including actively participating and providing written feedback in the Sector Evolution files and the DER Connections Review working group and sub-groups.

The OEB has additionally invited stakeholders to provide feedback on the near-term priority workstreams for which the CME's is attached.

Best Regards

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