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Hi Alex,

Thank you for your interest in the FEI Working Group and your request to attend the meetings as an observer. We confirm your request has been accepted. Please note that any OEB approved observers can attend FEIWG meetings but not as participants.

Details about the first meeting will be forthcoming.

Thanks,  
The FEI Team

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Good morning Janet & Christine,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Alex Simakov, I am a registered participant in the OEB's initiatives on Distributed Energy Resources as well as other regulatory consultations. I am in writing to you today in regard to the OEB's recent letter concerning the formation of the Framework for Energy Innovation (FEI) Working Group. I would like to request that I be granted Observer status for these meetings.

Our firm, Sussex Strategy Group, provides professional consulting and regulatory services to over 100 stakeholders in the Ontario energy sector, including numerous Local Distribution Companies, DER providers and industry associations. These clients include several entities that had requested but were not accepted for membership in the FEI Working Group, and would sincerely appreciate having greater visibility into the developments of these proceedings.

Could you please advise if it would be possible for me to be included in these meetings. Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing back from you shortly.

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