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Ms. Christine E. Long
Registrar and Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Long:

**Subject: EB-2021-0180
OEB Innovation Sandbox Renewal Consultation Initiation**

On June 23, 2021, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a letter initiating a consultation to renew its Innovation Sandbox. In its letter, the OEB encouraged participation in this consultation by all interested stakeholders to ensure that the OEB's renewed Sandbox reflects sector priorities and more effectively supports innovation that delivers value to consumers.

Hydro Ottawa welcomes the opportunity to participate in this consultation. There are currently several customers within Hydro Ottawa's service territory that have innovative project concepts with potential to deliver consumer benefit and protection. Hydro Ottawa believes that these are fitting candidates to be put forward to the OEB's Innovation Sandbox for consideration, and is interested in supporting such projects as the Local Distribution Company serving the City of Ottawa and the Village of Casselman.

By way of this letter, Hydro Ottawa hereby requests to participate in this consultation. Hydro Ottawa does not intend to request cost eligibility.

Yours truly,

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