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To: All Registered Stakeholders in the Consultation on the Deferral Account – Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency (EB-2020-0133)
All Rate Regulated Electricity Distributors
All Rate Regulated Natural Gas Utilities
All Rate Regulated Electricity Transmitters
Ontario Power Generation Inc.
All Other Interested Parties

Re: Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards – Update
Consultation on the Deferral Account – Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency (EB-2020-0133)

On July 22, 2021, the OEB issued a [Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards](#) in order to determine cost awards for this consultation.

In keeping with the OEB's [letter](#) of May 14, 2020, the Notice of Hearing provided for a maximum of 12 hours for written comments on the draft issues list. As some Eligible Participants have noted, after that May 14, 2020 letter was issued, the OEB added an opportunity for stakeholders to reply to the comments made on the draft issues list by other stakeholders, but did not at that time make allowance for additional cost-eligible hours. To address this, the OEB is increasing the maximum amount of hours that may be claimed for written comments on the draft issues list by six hours, from 12 hours (as shown in Appendix A to the Notice of Hearing) to 18 hours. The 18 hour maximum includes both the time spent on the initial written comments on the draft issues list and on reply comments.

In all other respects, the Notice of Hearing remains unchanged. Eligible Participants are reminded that the deadline for filing any cost claims is August 3, 2021.

Eligible Participants must use the revised customized Cost Claim Form attached as Appendix A to this letter. For any Eligible Participants that have already filed their cost claims and intend to claim additional hours, they may do so using the updated form to submit only their additional hours. All other Eligible Participants that have not already filed their cost claims should use the updated form.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long
Registrar

Attachment – Appendix A

**Appendix A
Letter Dated July 30, 2021
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Emergency
EB-2020-0133**

**Appendix A: Ontario Energy Board Cost Claim for Consultations:
Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements**

The revised form that Eligible Participants must complete is provided in a separate MS Excel Workbook named, “EB-2020-0133_NoH_Appendix A_Cost_Claim_Form_20210730” that is attached to this letter.