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To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors

All Other Interested Parties

Re: Stakeholder Meeting on Regulated Price Plan Pilot Meta-Analysis Final

Report

Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2016-0201

On November 10, 2021, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) released the <u>Regulated Price Plan (RPP) Pilot Meta-Analysis Final Report (Final Report)</u>, which provides an analysis of the results of four pilot projects testing ten alternative RPP price plans and non-price features, along with recommendations stemming from that analysis. The OEB is now inviting interested parties to a stakeholder meeting where the results of the Final Report will be presented, and parties will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Stakeholder Event Details

The OEB will host a virtual stakeholder meeting on **December 16, 2021** from **1:30 p.m**. to **4:00 p.m**. Stakeholders who intend to participate in the meeting are asked to email notice of their intention to RPP.Pilots@oeb.ca by **December 10, 2021**. Emails should include "EB-2016-0201 RPP Pilot Meta-Analysis Final Report" in the subject line and provide the following information:

- participant/organization name;
- name(s) of attendees to be registered; and
- a contact name, telephone number and email address.

Cost Award Matters

Cost awards will be available to eligible participants under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for participation in the stakeholder meeting. Costs awarded will be recovered from all licensed electricity distributors. Further information regarding cost awards is included in Appendix A to this letter.

Any questions relating to this letter or the RPP Pilot Meta-Analysis Final Report should be directed to RPP.Pilots@oeb.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Christine E. Long Registrar

Attachment: Appendix A Cost Awards Matters

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Cost Award Eligibility

Any participant already found to be eligible for cost awards under EB-2016-0201 (see list of eligible participants below) will be eligible for cost awards for this engagement.

The OEB will determine eligibility for costs in accordance with its <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u>. Any person not already eligible for cost awards under EB-2016-0201 intending to request an award of costs must file with the OEB a written submission to that effect by **December 6, 2021**. The submission must identify the grounds on which the person believes that it is eligible for an award of costs (addressing the OEB's cost eligibility criteria as set out in section 3 of the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*). An explanation of any other funding to which the person has access must also be provided, as should the name and credentials of any lawyer, analyst or consultant that the person intends to retain, if known. All requests for cost eligibility will be posted on the OEB's website.

If a licensed electricity distributor has any objections to any of the requests for cost eligibility, such objections must be filed with the OEB by **December 10, 2021**. Any objections will be posted on the OEB's website. The OEB will then make a final determination on the cost eligibility of the requesting participants.

Eligible Activities

Cost awards will be available for participation in the associated stakeholder meeting. The maximum number of hours allowed per participant for the eligible activities are:

Preparation, Attendance and Reporting on Stakeholder Meeting....... 12 hrs

Cost Awards

When determining the amount of the cost awards, the OEB will apply the principles set out in section 5 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The maximum hourly rates set out in the Cost Awards Tariff will also be applied. The OEB expects that groups representing the same interests or class of persons will make every effort to communicate and co-ordinate their participation in this process. In accordance with section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this process. For more information on this process, please see the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

How to File Materials

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Please quote file number **EB-2016-0201** for all materials filed and kindly submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online</u> filing portal.

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address.
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS)</u> <u>Document Guidelines</u> found at <u>www.oeb.ca/industry</u>.
- Stakeholders are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the web portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance.

All communications regarding cost award matters should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received at the address below by end of business on the required date.

Email: registrar@oeb.ca

Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (Toll-free)

Participants Currently Eligible for Cost Awards

The OEB issued Decisions on March 21, 2019, April 11, 2019 and March 4, 2021, that determined the following participants in this consultation process are eligible for cost awards:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto (BOMA)
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)
- London Property Management Association (LPMA)
- Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC)
- Quinte Manufacturers Association (QMA)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)

These participants remain eligible for the eligible activities described above.