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By E-mail and RESS

Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Nancy Marconi, Acting Registrar

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Independent Electricity System Operator / Smart Metering Entity
2021 Third Party Access Application
Ontario Energy Board File No.: EB-2021-0292
Status of Settlement Discussions**

We write further to the Board's Procedural Order No. 1 issued on December 13, 2021 ("**PO No. 1**").

In accordance with PO No.1, a settlement conference commenced on January 17, 2022 and continued on January 18 and 20, 2022. PO No. 1 requires the IESO to file a letter informing the OEB of the status of the settlement discussions, including whether a tentative agreement was reached on all issues, within 48 hours of the conclusion of the settlement conference.

The parties have reached a tentative agreement on all matters in the proceeding. The parties are working on a settlement proposal which is anticipated to include or be in the form of an agreed upon issues list. We currently expect to file this agreement with the Board on or before February 15, 2022 as directed in PO No. 1.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

Yours truly,



Patrick G. Duffy

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cc. Miriam Heinz and Adrian Pye, *IESO*
Michael Bell and Ian Richler, *Ontario Energy Board*
Ted Wigdor, Kathryn Farmer and Brittany J. Ashby, *Energy Distributors Association (EDA)*
Julie Girvan, *Consumers Council of Canada (CCC)*
Mark Garner and John Lawford, *Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)*
Albert Engel, Ian Jarvis, Gillian Henderson and Matthew Rutledge, *Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)*
Tom Ladanyi, *Energy Probe Research Foundation*
Joanna Vince, Raeya Jackiw and Travis Lusney *Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA)*