



**Independent Electricity System Operator**

**Application for approval of 2020 and 2021 revenue requirement,  
expenditures and fees**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4**

**March 1, 2022**

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on May 27, 2021 under section 25(1) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*, seeking approval for its 2020 and 2021 expenditures, revenue requirement and fees.

On October 12, 2021, the IESO filed a settlement proposal that reflected a settlement between the IESO and participating intervenors (collectively, the Parties) on all issues included on the approved issues list, except for Issue 3.1, which dealt with the IESO's request for an increase in the registration fee from the currently approved up to \$10,000 per submission for electricity supply and capacity procurements, including ancillary services, to up to \$50,000 per submission. The Parties agreed to defer consideration of Issue 3.1 "until after the IESO has developed a more detailed procurement fee setting framework and completed its related stakeholder engagement efforts", and proposed a supplemental process to resolve the issue which entailed the IESO filing additional evidence, the opportunity for interrogatories on the additional evidence, and thereafter, a reconvening of the settlement conference to resolve Issue 3.1. On November 18, 2021, the OEB approved the settlement proposal.

On February 22, 2022, the IESO filed a letter withdrawing its request for OEB approval to charge registration fees of up to \$50,000 per proposal on the basis that it had determined that there was "insufficient time to move forward with a change to the registration fee and to have the new fee in effect in advance of procurement initiatives directed by the Minister of Energy." The letter explained that the IESO would "move forward with its planned procurements using previously approved registration fees of up to \$10,000 per submission".

Before accepting the withdrawal of the IESO's request to increase the registration fees and closing this file, the OEB will provide the other Parties to the settlement proposal,

and OEB staff, an opportunity to object to the withdrawal, and the IESO an opportunity to reply to any objections.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. Any objections to the IESO's withdrawal of its request for an increase in the registration fee from the currently approved up to \$10,000 per submission for electricity supply and capacity procurements, including ancillary services, to up to \$50,000 per submission shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties to the proceeding by **Tuesday March 8, 2022**.
2. The IESO may file a reply to any objection with the OEB and serve it on all other parties to the proceeding by **Tuesday March 15, 2022**.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **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-2020-0230** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Andrew Bishop at [Andrew.Bishop@oeb.ca](mailto:Andrew.Bishop@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler at [Ian.Richler@oeb.ca](mailto:Ian.Richler@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **March 1, 2022**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar