EB-2022-0002

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF subsection 25 (1) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*;

AND IN THE MATTER OF Submissions by the Independent Electricity System Operator to the Ontario Energy Board for the review of its proposed expenditure and revenue requirements for the fiscal year 2022 and the fees it proposes to charge during the fiscal year 2022.

AFFIDAVIT OF Ben Weir
(sworn March 25, 2022)

I, Ben Weir, of the City of Toronto in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

1. I am employed as Senior Advisor, Regulatory Affairs, with the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) and as such have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to.

2. On March 21, 2022 the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued its Notice (Notice) (attached hereto as Exhibits A and B in English and French respectively) for OEB proceeding EB-2022-0002, and by Letter of Direction (attached hereto as Exhibit C) directed the IESO to undertake a number of steps.

3. Per item 1 of the Letter of Direction, on March 25, 2022 the IESO posted a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, on the IESO's website at: https://www.ieso.ca/en/Corporate-IESO/Regulatory-Accountability/OEB-Applications. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is the link to, and screenshot of, the web page that demonstrates this.

4. Per item 2 of the Letter of Direction, on March 25, 2022 the IESO served a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice, the application and the evidence, directly on all intervenors of record in the IESO's previous revenue requirement expenditures and fees application, EB-2020-0230. A copy of the email is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

5. Per item 3 of the Letter of Direction, on March 25, 2022 the IESO served a copy of the of the English and French versions of the Notice and the application on all parties registered as IESO market participants. Attached hereto as Exhibit F is a copy of that email.

6. Per item 4 of the Letter of Direction, on March 25, 2022 the IESO tweeted the messages included in item 4, a. and b., and provided a live link to the Notice in English and French. Attached hereto as Exhibit G are links to, and screenshots of, the twitter pages that demonstrate this.

Sworn remotely before me in the City of Toronto, Ontario, on March 25, 2022 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20, Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely

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Commissioner for Taking Affidavits
Lesley Bowen

Ben Weir

Ben Weir

This is Exhibit A referred to in the Affidavit of Ben Weir, sworn remotely before me in the City of Toronto, Ontario, on March 25, 2021 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20, *Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely*.

Lesley Bowen

Lesley Bowen

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

The IESO has applied for approval of its 2022 revenue requirement, expenditures and fees.

Learn more. Have your say.

If the application is approved as filed, domestic customers of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) will see an increase and export customers will see a decrease in their 2022 usage fees compared to the usage fees in 2021.

The IESO is asking the Ontario Energy Board to approve the following:

- **a 2022 revenue requirement of $201.5 million and the related usage fees of $1.3329/MWh to be paid by domestic customers and $1.0126/MWh to be paid by export customers, beginning January 1, 2022**
- **a capital expenditure budget of $71.2 million for the year 2022**
- **to charge (or rebate) market participants the difference between the 2022 usage fees and the interim usage fees paid by market participants, if any**
- **to charge a Reliable Integration fee at an hourly rate of $145/hour for the activities it undertakes on behalf of proponents to reliably integrate new or modified facilities to the IESO-controlled grid.**

The IESO says that the proposed revenue requirement, expenditures and fees are based on its 2022-2024 Business Plan that was approved by the Minister of Energy on February 3, 2022.

Please review the application for the complete list of approvals requested by the IESO.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the IESO's application. During this hearing, which could be an oral or written hearing, we will consider the evidence filed by the IESO and question the company on its proposals. We will also hear questions and arguments from individuals that have registered to participate (called intervenors) in the OEB's hearing. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will make its decision on the IESO's application.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review the IESO's application on the OEB's website now
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing
- You can become an intervenor. As an intervenor, you can ask questions about the IESO's application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve the IESO's request. Apply by **April 8, 2022,** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website

LEARN MORE

For residential customers the IESO's usage fee is charged as part of the "Regulatory Charges" line item on the electricity bill. Our file number for this case is **EB-2022-0002**.To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file a letter with your comments or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please enter the file number **EB-2022-0002** on the OEB website: **www.oeb.ca/participate**. You can also phone our Public Information Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The IESO has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **April 8, 2022**.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under subsection 25(1) of the Electricity Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B.

Ontario Energy Board | Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

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AVIS DE LA COMMISSION DE L'ÉNERGIE DE L'ONTARIO

La SIERE a demandé une approbation de ses besoins en revenus, de ses dépenses et de ses frais pour 2022.

Renseignez-vous. Donnez votre avis.

Si la demande est approuvée telle quelle, les clients du Canada de la Société indépendante d'exploitation du réseau d'électricité (SIERE) verront une augmentation de leurs frais d'utilisation en 2022 par rapport aux frais d'utilisation en 2021, et les clients à l'étranger de la SIERE verront une diminution de leurs frais d'utilisation en 2022 par rapport aux frais d'utilisation en 2021, comme indiqué ci-dessous.

La SIERE demande à la Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario d'approuver les éléments suivants :

- **un besoin en revenus de 201,5 M$ pour l'année 2022 et les frais d'utilisation connexes de 1,3329$/MWh à payer par les clients au Canada et de 1,0126 $/MWh à payer par les clients à l'étranger, à compter du 1er janvier 2022**
- **un budget de dépenses en immobilisations de 71,2 M$ pour l'année 2022**
- **la remise (ou la facturation) aux acteurs du marché de la différence entre les frais d'utilisation de 2022 et les frais d'utilisation provisoires payés par les acteurs du marché, s'il y a lieu**
- **la facturation de coûts de fiabilité d'intégration à un taux horaire de 145 $/heure pour les activités qu'elle entreprend au nom des promoteurs afin d'intégrer de manière des installations neuves ou modifiées au réseau d'électricité de la SIERE.**

La SIERE affirme que les besoins en revenus, les dépenses et les frais proposés sont basés sur le Plan d'activités 2022-2024 de la SIERE qui a été approuvé par le ministre de l'Énergie, du Développement du Nord et des Mines le 3 février 2022.

Veuillez examiner la demande pour obtenir la liste complète des approbations demandées par la SIERE.

LA COMMISSION DE L'ÉNERGIE DE L'ONTARIO TIENDRA UNE AUDIENCE PUBLIQUE
La Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario (CEO) tiendra une audience publique afin d'étudier la demande d'IESO. Durant cette audience, qui peut être une audience orale ou écrite, nous examinerons les preuves déposées par la SIERE et nous poserons des questions à la société à propos de ses propositions. Nous entendrons également les questions et arguments des personnes qui se sont inscrites pour participer (appelées « intervenants ») à l'audience de la CEO. À l'issue de cette audience, la CEO rendra sa décision quant à l'approbation de la demande de la SIERE.

La CEO est une agence publique indépendante et impartiale. Les décisions que nous prenons visent à servir au mieux l'intérêt public. Notre objectif est d'encourager le développement d'un secteur de l'énergie efficace et financièrement viable, afin d'offrir des services énergétiques fiables à un prix raisonnable.

RENSEIGNEZ-VOUS ET DONNEZ VOTRE AVIS
Vous avez le droit d'être informé au sujet de cette requête et de participer au processus.

- Vous pouvez examiner la demande d'IESO sur le site Web de la CEO dès maintenant.
- Vous pouvez déposer une lettre de commentaires qui sera prise en compte au cours de l'audience.
- Vous pouvez participer à titre d'intervenant. En tant qu'intervenant, vous pouvez poser des questions sur la requête d'IESO et présenter les raisons pour lesquelles la CEO devrait approuver la demande d'IESO. Inscrivez-vous avant le **8 avril 2022**, faute de quoi l'audience aura lieu sans votre participation et vous ne recevrez plus d'avis dans le cadre de la présente affaire.
- Vous pourrez consulter la décision rendue par la CEO à l'issue de la procédure ainsi que les motifs de sa décision sur notre site Web.

EN SAVOIR PLUS
Pour les clients résidentiels, les frais d'utilisation de la SIERE sont intégrés aux redevances réglementaires (ligne « Regulatory Charges ») sur la facture d'électricité. Le numéro de dossier de la présente demande est **EB -2022-0002**. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements sur cette audience, sur les démarches à suivre pour déposer une lettre, participer en tant qu'intervenant ou pour consulter les documents relatifs à cette affaire, veuillez entrer le numéro de dossier **EB -2022-0002**sur le site Web de la CEO : **www.oeb.ca/fr/participez**. Pour toute question, vous pouvez également communiquer avec notre centre d'information du public au 1 877 632-2727.

AUDIENCES ORALES OU AUDIENCES ÉCRITES
Il existe deux types d'audiences à la CEO : les audiences orales et les audiences écrites. La SIERE a demandé une audience écrite. La CEO examine cette demande à l'heure actuelle. Si vous pensez qu'une audience orale est nécessaire, vous pouvez faire part de vos arguments par écrit à la CEO au plus tard le **8 avril 2022**.

PROTECTION DES RENSEIGNEMENTS PERSONNELS
Si vous écrivez une lettre de commentaires, votre nom et le contenu de cette lettre seront ajoutés au dossier public et au site Web de la CEO. Toutefois, votre numéro de téléphone, votre adresse de domicile et votre adresse électronique ne seront pas rendus publics. Si vous représentez une entreprise, tous les renseignements de l'entreprise demeureront accessibles au public. Si vous participez à titre d'intervenant, tous vos renseignements seront rendus publics.

Cette audience sera tenue en vertu du paragraphe 25(1) de la Loi de 1998 sur la Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario, L.O 1998, chap. 15 (annexe B).



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This is Exhibit **C** referred to in the Affidavit of Ben Weir, sworn remotely before me in the City of Toronto, Ontario, on March 25, 2021 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20, *Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely*.

Lesley Bowen

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BY E-MAIL

March 21, 2022

Devon Huber
Director, Regulatory Affairs & Market Rules
Independent Electricity System Operator
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Toronto ON M5H 1T1
Devon.Huber@ieso.ca

LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Huber:

Re: Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
2022 Expenditure and Revenue Requirement Submission
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2022-0002

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for the IESO's application for approval of its 2022 revenue requirement, expenditures and usage fees (Notice). Please note that you must complete the steps noted in paragraphs 1 through 4, **by March 29, 2022**. If you are unable to comply with the directions by **March 29, 2022**, you must inform the Registrar immediately at registrar@oeb.ca.

The IESO also requested that its draft Issues List be provided for comment along with the Notice. The OEB will address matters related to the issues list later in the proceeding.

You are directed:

1. To post a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, on the IESO's website at: https://www.ieso.ca/en/Corporate-IESO/Regulatory-Accountability/Usage-Fees.

2. To serve a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice, the application and the evidence, directly on all intervenors of record in the IESO's previous revenue requirement expenditures and fees application, EB-2020-0230.

3. No later than the date the Notice is posted on the IESO's website in accordance with paragraph 1 above, to serve a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice and the application on all parties registered as IESO market participants.

4. If the IESO has a Twitter account, once the English and French versions of the Notice are posted on the IESO's website, in accordance with paragraph 1, to tweet the following messages:

    a. "We have applied to the @OntEnergyBoard for approval of our 2022 revenue requirement, expenditures and usage fees. Learn more. Have your say." The Tweet is required to provide a live link to the English Notice posted on the IESO's website.

    b. « Nous avons demandé à @OntEnergyBoard d'approuver nos besoins en revenus, nos dépenses et nos frais d'utilisation pour le année 2022. Renseignez-vous. Donnez votre avis. » The Tweet is required to provide a live link to the French Notice posted on the IESO's website.

5. To file with the OEB an affidavit proving completion of the matters in paragraphs 1 through 4 above immediately thereafter.

6. To provide a copy of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any documents or materials when serving the Notice other than documents or materials expressly required by this letter of direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

Encl.

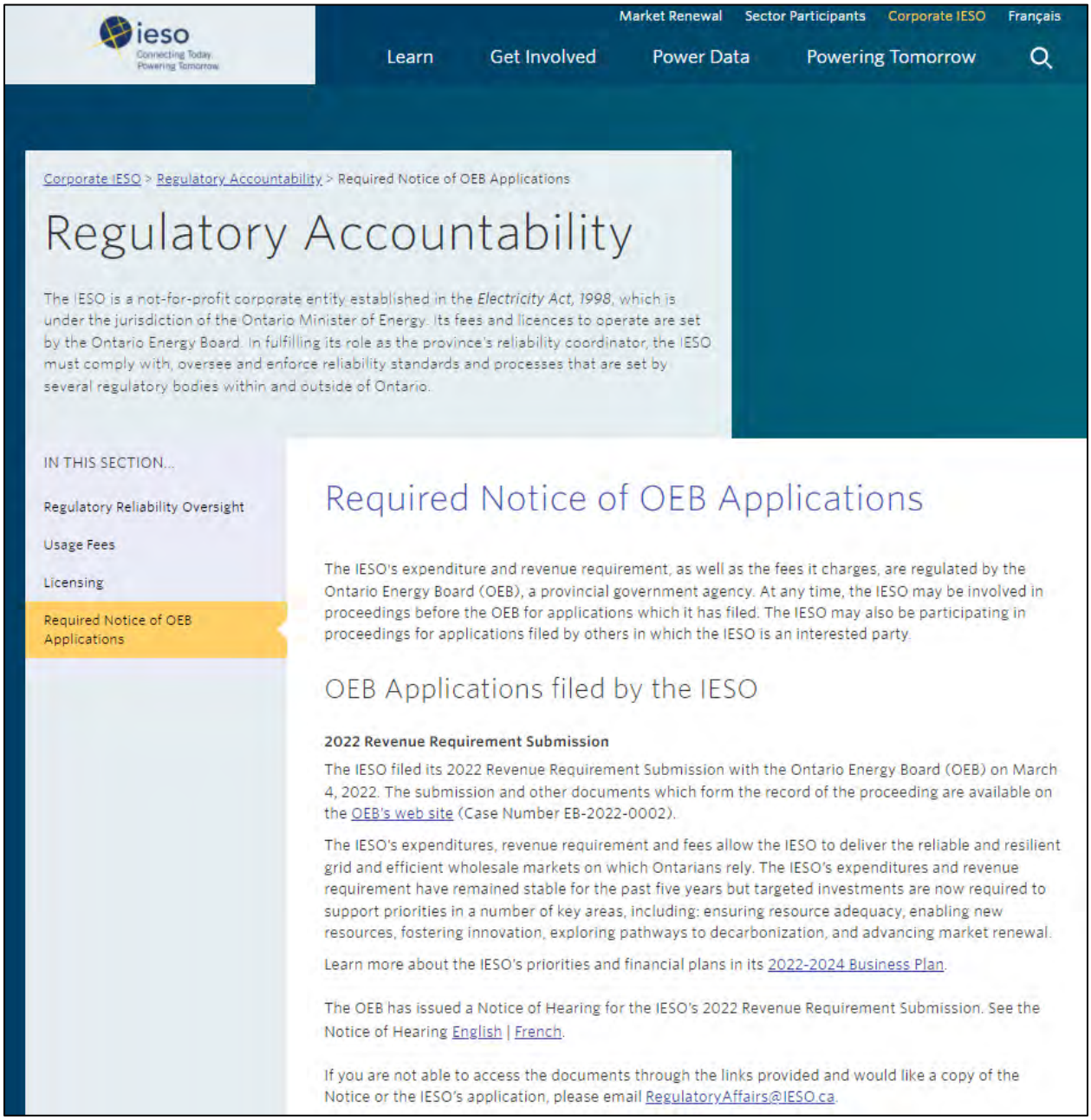
cc: Mr. Ben Weir, Senior Advisor, Regulatory Affairs, IESO
Mr. Fred D. Cass, Counsel, Aird & Berlis LLP

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Lesley Bowen

Lesley Bowen

Link to the IESO's Regulatory Accountability – Required Notice of OEB Applications webpage: https://ieso.ca/en/Corporate-IESO/Regulatory-Accountability/OEB-Applications



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Regulatory Accountability

The IESO is a not-for-profit corporate entity established in the *Electricity Act, 1998*, which is under the jurisdiction of the Ontario Minister of Energy. Its fees and licences to operate are set by the Ontario Energy Board. In fulfilling its role as the province's reliability coordinator, the IESO must comply with, oversee and enforce reliability standards and processes that are set by several regulatory bodies within and outside of Ontario.

IN THIS SECTION...

- Regulatory Reliability Oversight
- Usage Fees
- Licensing
- Required Notice of OEB Applications

Required Notice of OEB Applications

The IESO's expenditure and revenue requirement, as well as the fees it charges, are regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), a provincial government agency. At any time, the IESO may be involved in proceedings before the OEB for applications which it has filed. The IESO may also be participating in proceedings for applications filed by others in which the IESO is an interested party.

OEB Applications filed by the IESO

2022 Revenue Requirement Submission

The IESO filed its 2022 Revenue Requirement Submission with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on March 4, 2022. The submission and other documents which form the record of the proceeding are available on the OEB's web site (Case Number EB-2022-0002).

The IESO's expenditures, revenue requirement and fees allow the IESO to deliver the reliable and resilient grid and efficient wholesale markets on which Ontarians rely. The IESO's expenditures and revenue requirement have remained stable for the past five years but targeted investments are now required to support priorities in a number of key areas, including: ensuring resource adequacy, enabling new resources, fostering innovation, exploring pathways to decarbonization, and advancing market renewal.

Learn more about the IESO's priorities and financial plans in its 2022-2024 Business Plan.

The OEB has issued a Notice of Hearing for the IESO's 2022 Revenue Requirement Submission. See the Notice of Hearing English | French.

If you are not able to access the documents through the links provided and would like a copy of the Notice or the IESO's application, please email RegulatoryAffairs@IESO.ca.

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From:	Ben Weir
To:	SEC@oesc-cseo.org; mark@shepherdrubenstein.com; fred@shepherdrubenstein.com; ivesj@pwu.ca; richard.stephenson@paliareroland.com; bkidane@econalysis.ca; cossette.helene@hydroquebec.com; Pelletier.eveline@hydroquebec.com; shelley.grice@rogers.com; canderson@ampco.org; kfarmer; "Ted Wigdor"; grahamc@thesociety.ca; hastingsm@thesociety.ca; "Bohdan Dumka"; "Colin Fraser"; spainc@rogers.com; tom.ladanyi@rogers.com; jlawford@piac.ca; "Mark Garner"; opgregaffairs@opg.com; aimee.collier@opg.com; jvince@willmsshier.com; "Raeya Jackiw"; tlusney; jack@cleanairalliance.org; Kent; "Amanda Montgomery"; mathew.wilson@cme-mec.ca; eblanchard@blg.com; "Scott Pollock"; "David Butters"; "Reena Goyal"; Brandy Giannetta; jrangooni; pnorris; "Jason Chee-Aloy"; Julien.Wu@evolugen.com
Cc:	Fred Cass; Regulatory Affairs; Devon Huber; George Dimitropoulos; Andrew Bishop
Subject:	OEB Notice Issued - IESO 2022 Revenue Requirement Submission (EB-2022-0002)
Date:	March 25, 2022 9:26:00 AM
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The OEB has issued a Notice of Hearing for the IESO's 2022 Revenue Requirement Submission and directed the IESO to serve a copy of the English and French versions of the Notice, and the application and the evidence, directly on all intervenors of record in the IESO's previous revenue requirement expenditures and fees application, EB-2020-0230.

Accordingly, attached is the Notice (in both English and French), the application and evidence. More information can be found on the IESO's website at: Required Notice of OEB Applications.

Ben Weir | Senior Advisor, Regulatory Affairs
Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
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Lesley Bowen

Lesley Bowen

From:	IESO Customer Relations
To:	IESO Customer Relations
Subject:	OEB Notice Issued - IESO 2022 Revenue Requirement Submission (EB-2022-0002)
Date:	March 25, 2022 10:16:08 AM
Attachments:	Notice_IESO_EN_20220321.pdf Notice_IESO_FR_20220321.pdf IESO_APP_2022 RRS_EB-2022-0002_20220304.pdf G-2-3 - IESO 2022 Regulatory Scorecard.xlsx C-1-1 Attachment 1 - Load and Forecast Volumes.xlsx C-3-1 Attachment 1 - Other Funding Sources.xlsx D-1-1 Attachment 1 - Summary of OM&A Expenses (Appendix 2-JA).xlsx D-1-1 Attachment 2 - OM&A Cost Driver Table (Appendix 2-JB).xlsx D-1-1 Attachment 3 - OM&A Business Unit Table (Appendix 2-JC).xlsx D-1-3 Attachment 1- Employee Costs (Appendix 2-K).xlsx E-2-1 Attachment 1 - Capital Projects (Appendix 2-AA).xlsx E-3-1 Attachment 1 - Service Life Comparison and Amortization Expense.xlsx

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Accordingly, attached is the Notice (in both English and French), the application and evidence. More information can be found on the IESO's website at: Required Notice of OEB Applications.

Regards,

Customer Relations

Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
Web: www.ieso.ca | Twitter: IESO_Tweets | LinkedIn: IESO

This communication was sent to all market participant Primary Contacts and Authorized Representatives

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Link to Tweet of the English Notice:
https://twitter.com/IESO_Tweets/status/1507410385053548548?s=20&t=iXKDfNOm-y-vdvASk2-qTQ

Link to Tweet of the French Notice:
https://twitter.com/IESO_Tweets/status/1507411397503815686?s=20&t=iXKDfNOm-y-vdvASk2-qTQ

