



April 7, 2022

VIA RESS

Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319,
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4
Attention: Registrar

Dear Ms. Long,

**Re: Framework for Review of Intervenor Processes and Cost Awards
Board File Number: EB-2022-0011**

We are counsel to the Electric Vehicle Society (**EVS**) in the above-noted consultation. Please find attached EVS's request for cost eligibility, filed pursuant to the Board's letter dated March 31, 2022.

Sincerely,

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Daniel Vollmer

c. Wolf Steimle, EVS

Encl.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B, as amended (the **Act**);

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board's
Framework for Review of Intervenor Processes and Cost
Awards consultation.

EB-2022-0011

COST AWARD ELIGIBILITY REQUEST

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SOCIETY

April 7, 2022

A. Application for Participant Status

1. The Electric Vehicle Society (**EVS**) hereby requests cost award eligibility in the Board's Framework for Review of Intervenor Processes and Cost Awards consultation (EB-2022-0011). This request for cost eligibility is filed pursuant to Rule 22 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the Board's letter dated March 31, 2022.

B. EVS and its Interest in the Consultation

Electric Vehicle Society

2. EVS represents over 1,000 end-use, largely residential, individual EV electricity customers, which register as members to have their needs and preferences related to EVs and related DERs represented on matters that directly substantially impact them. EVS has 12 local chapters of electricity rate paying customers in Ontario and is governed to ensure that individual rate payers are informed, consulted, and can independently raise their needs and preferences on matters of direct and substantial interest with the leaders of their local EVS chapters, and all such needs, preferences, and member input are communicated to and through the board of directors and the President of EVS, including through various committees. Those customer needs and preferences are aggregated and conveyed to formulate EVS positions through the board of directors and the President. EVS reflects the public interest in electrified transportation DER matters; it does not assume or suppose it. Further information on EVS, its more than 1,000 individual residential rate paying members, and its programs and activities may be found on its website at www.evsociety.ca.

EVS's Interest in the Consultation

3. EVS is interested in providing its views and comments on potential initiatives to enhance the OEB's adjudicate process and the role of intervenor being considered by the Board, including: (i) guidance on intervenor status requirements; (ii) cost award eligibility; and (iii) changes to rules for frequent intervenor filings.
4. EVS was a participant in the Board's Utility Remuneration and Responding to DERs consultation (EB-2018-0287 / EB-2018-0288) and was also an active and cost eligible participant in the Board's consultation on Implementing the Process for Enabling Customers to Opt Out of Time-of-Use Pricing (EB-2020-0152). EVS was active in the Board's Hydro Ottawa rate proceeding (EB-2019-0261) through the Distributed Resource Coalition (**DRC**).

EVS was also active, through DRC, in the recent Toronto Hydro custom incentive rate proceeding (EB-2018-0165).

C. Nature and Scope of EVS's Intended Participation

5. EVS intends to be an active participant in this consultation and will act responsibly to coordinate with other intervenors where common issues may arise and be otherwise addressed. EVS intends to participate actively in order to participate in any stakeholder meetings or working groups, file submissions, and/or adduce evidence should the Board's procedures provide for same.

D. Costs

6. EVS is, in accordance with s. 3.03(a) of the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* (the **Practice Direction**), eligible to seek an award of costs as EVS is a party that primarily represents the direct interests of consumers (residential customers, small- and medium-sized commercial and industrial customers) in relation to services that are regulated by the Board. EVS is also, in accordance with s. 3.03(b) of the Practice Direction, eligible to seek an award of costs as EVS represents organizations that have a policy interest in electricity conservation and demand management, implementation of a smart grid in Ontario, promotion of the use of electricity from renewable energy sources, each of which are components of the Board's mandate and relevant to the consultation
7. The Board has granted EVS cost eligibility in EB-2018-0287 / EB-2018-0288, referred to in paragraph 4, above.
8. EVS therefore requests cost eligibility in this consultation as its comments will serve an important and unique interest and policy perspective relevant to the Board's mandate.

E. EVS's Representatives

9. EVS hereby requests that further communications with respect to this consultation be sent to the following:

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Attention: Wilf Steimle

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AND TO ITS COUNSEL

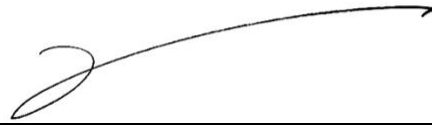
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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED THIS 7th day of April, 2022

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Lisa (Elisabeth) DeMarco
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