

**BY EMAIL** 

July 26, 2022

To: All Rate-Regulated Natural Gas Distributors All Participants in EB-2021-0246

## Re: Shepherd Rubenstein Professional Corporation (Shepherd Rubenstein) and ICF Consulting Canada Inc. (ICF) – Cost Claim Filing Extension

On June 30, 2022, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued its Notice of Hearing for Cost Eligibility and Cost Awards for the Integrated Resource Planning Technical Working Group, to determine the cost eligibility and cost awards for eligible Working Group activities. The OEB set a filing date of July 21, 2022, for Working Group members to submit cost claims.

On July 22, 2022, Shepherd Rubenstein filed a letter requesting the OEB accept its cost claim if filed after the deadline of July 21, 2022. Shepherd Rubenstein explained that the delay in filing was due to unforeseen circumstances pertaining to the required filing date. On July 25, 2022, ICF sent an email also requesting an extension to submit its cost claim, due to a delay in getting set up in the system.

The OEB grants Shepherd Rubenstein's and ICF's requests. The OEB has accordingly revised the dates for the filing of cost claims and any objections to filed cost claims as shown below:

- 1. Shepherd Rubenstein and ICF shall submit their cost claims for participation in the proceeding no later than **July 28, 2022**.
- 2. Natural gas distributors will have until **August 4, 2022**, to object to a request from any participant for cost awards or any aspect of the costs claimed. The objection must be filed with the OEB and one copy must be sent by email to the person against whose claim the objection is being made.

The date of **August 9**, **2022** established in the Notice of Hearing for reply submissions to any cost claim objections remains unchanged.

Yours truly,

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