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November 10, 2022

**TO: All Licensed Electricity Transmitters  
The Independent Electricity System Operator  
Interested stakeholders**

**RE: Electricity Transmission Leave to Construct Filing Requirements Update  
(DRAFT) – Invitation to Comment  
Ontario Energy Board: EB-2022-0261**

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Ontario Energy Board (OEB) staff invites comments on a draft update to Chapter 4 of the OEB's *Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications* (Chapter 4 Filing Requirements). A copy of the draft update is attached.

The OEB is committed to improvements that achieve predictable and efficient regulatory processes and process improvements. To enhance the timeliness and efficiency of electricity transmission leave to construct proceedings and related proceedings, the OEB has prepared a draft update to the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements that will provide guidance on electricity transmission leave to construct applications and related matters under Part VI of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*.

The update to the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements is based on the current legislative and OEB policy frameworks, general current practices, and expectations around filing requirements to the extent that are in place today. However, the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements are intended to be a living document that may be updated over time as circumstances warrant.

Following the stakeholder comment period, upon issuance of these filing requirements, the OEB intends to amend other interrelated documents to align with these changes.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> For example, Section 2.1.1 of the OEB's Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Rate Applications, Chapter 2 (Revenue Requirement Applications) would be amended to align with Section 4.3.2.11 (Establishment of Deferral Accounts) of these Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications, Chapter 4 (Leave to Construct and Related Matters under Part VI of the Ontario Energy Board Act)

## Written Comments

Written comments may be submitted no later than 4:45 p.m. on **December 15, 2022**. The draft update to the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements largely reflects current OEB practices or requirements that have been developed over time through OEB decisions on the application types covered by the update to the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements. In addition, comments focussed on the accuracy and clarity of the draft update to the Chapter 4 Filing Requirements would be particularly helpful. Given this scope, the OEB does not intend to make cost awards available interested stakeholders.

## How to File Materials

Stakeholders are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB **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-2022-0261**, 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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- Stakeholders are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet [set up an account](#), or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca) for assistance.

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.

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