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October 26, 2023

To: Registered Participants in the Consultation for Benefit-Cost Analysis Framework for Addressing Electricity System Needs (EB-2023-0125)

Re: EB-2023-0125 – Benefit-Cost Analysis Framework for Addressing Electricity System Needs

On September 20, 2023, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a letter to initiate a consultation to support the development of a Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) Framework for addressing electricity system needs.¹ In that letter, the OEB invited stakeholders to participate in a stakeholder engagement session on October 13, 2023. During this session, the draft Phase One BCA Framework project plan was presented.

Attached to this letter is a copy of the draft Phase One BCA Framework project plan, prepared by Guidehouse Canada under the oversight of OEB staff. The materials presented during the project plan stakeholder engagement session held on October 13, 2023, are also attached.

Registered stakeholder participants in this consultation are invited to provide written feedback and comment on the draft Phase One BCA Framework project plan by **November 9, 2023**. Directions for submitting written feedback and comments can be found in Appendix A to this letter. All feedback and comments received will be publicly available on the OEB's website.

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¹ EB-2023-0125, Correspondence, September 20, 2023

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Alexander Di Ilio at alexander.diilio@oeb.ca or 416-440-7718. The Board's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi Registrar

Attachment(s):

- (i) Draft Phase One BCA Framework project plan prepared by Guidehouse Canada Ltd.
- (ii) Materials presented during the project plan stakeholder engagement session held on October 13, 2023

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Appendix A

How to File Materials

All written materials sent to the OEB in response to this letter will be placed on the public record and posted on the OEB's website.

If the written materials are from a private citizen (i.e., not a lawyer representing a client, not a consultant representing a client or organization, not an individual in an organization that represents the interests of consumers or other groups, and not an individual from a regulated entity), the OEB will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information (e.g., address, phone number and e-mail address) before placing the materials on the public record and posting the materials on the OEB's website. However, your name and the entire content of your materials will be placed on the public record and posted on the OEB's website. If the written materials are from a person acting in a professional or business capacity, all information in the written materials will be publicly available.

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-2023-0125** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online filing portal</u>.

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- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS)</u> <u>Document Guidelines</u> found on the <u>File documents online page</u> on the OEB's website.
- Stakeholders are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance.
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