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**TO: All Participants in the Standby Rates Consultation EB-2023-0278**

**RE: Consultation on Policy for Standby Rates  
Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2023-0278**

In its [September 28, 2023](#) letter the OEB initiated a consultation on Policy for Standby Rates. The OEB will host a stakeholder meeting to solicit input regarding current practices with respect to standby rates and to discuss options moving forward.

The OEB has a number of initiatives underway addressing distributed energy resources and related matters. The scope of this consultation will focus on distribution rates for standby service for customer-owned load displacement.

### **Stakeholder Meeting**

Stakeholders are invited to participate in a virtual meeting on January 11, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to:

- Provide an overview of OEB staff's Capacity Reserve Charge proposal, detailed in the [OEB staff paper](#) on Commercial and Industrial Rate Design.
- Provide information on current LDC approaches to standby rates.
- Discuss options for default standby rate design.
- Discuss options for transition from interim to final rates.

OEB staff and those registered participants that have confirmed their interest in making presentations on some or all of the above, will lead the discussion. A calendar invitation will follow shortly via email with an agenda and information on how to connect to the virtual session.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Andrew Frank at [andrew.frank@oeb.ca](mailto:andrew.frank@oeb.ca) or at 416-440-8105. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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