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To: All Licensed Rate-Regulated Electricity Distributors
All Licensed Electricity Transmitters
All Licensed Unit Sub-Meter Providers
Participants in consultations EB-2019-0207 and EB-2021-0117
All Other Interested Parties

Re: **Electric Vehicle Integration (EVI) Initiative (EB-2023-0071)**
Electricity Delivery Rates for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging
Invitation to Stakeholder Meeting

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) invites stakeholders to a meeting on June 13, 2024, to discuss a proposal for an electricity delivery rate for public EV charging stations that have a low load factor, which aims to further facilitate the integration of EV chargers with the electricity system.

Background on the Proposed Rate

The OEB commissioned a consultant, Power Advisory, to analyze the impact delivery costs have on EV charging and explore alternative delivery rate designs to support EV adoption while adhering to sound ratemaking principles. Power Advisory's report, [Electricity Delivery Rates for EV Charging](#), was released on April 13, 2023. The OEB held a stakeholder meeting on May 24, 2023, to get feedback on the report and also sought written feedback from stakeholders afterward.

Based on stakeholder feedback, and additional analysis conducted by its consultant, OEB staff has developed a proposal for an EV charging rate that improves cost causality and better supports the efficient integration of EVs in Ontario.

Invitation to Participate in Stakeholder Meeting

The OEB is inviting interested stakeholders to a virtual meeting on **June 13, 2024**, from **9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** to discuss the proposal and gather feedback on it.

The OEB recognizes this topic is of interest to many parties, and therefore welcomes feedback from a broad cross-section of industry stakeholders, regardless of their

involvement with EVs. Stakeholders will also be invited to provide written feedback after the stakeholder meeting.

Materials will be shared prior to the meeting on the OEB's Engage with Us [EVI webpage](#), and recipients of this letter will be notified.

Participation

Interested parties who wish to participate in the stakeholder meeting are asked to register by emailing evintegration@oeb.ca by **May 22, 2024**.

Cost Award Matters

Cost awards will be available to eligible participants under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for participation in the consultation. Costs awarded will be recovered from all licensed rate-regulated electricity distributors. Further information regarding cost awards is included in Appendix A to this letter. Participants eligible for cost awards in the EVI initiative (EB-2023-0071) remain eligible.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to evintegration@oeb.ca. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

The OEB recommends interested stakeholders sign up to the EVI Engage with Us [webpage](#) for future updates.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

Appendix A Cost Award Matters

Cost Award Eligibility

The OEB will determine eligibility for costs in accordance with its [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#). Any person intending to request an award of costs, except for those participants previously found to be eligible for costs for EB-2023-0071, must file with the OEB a written submission to that effect by **May 22, 2024**. The submission must identify the grounds on which the person believes that it is eligible for an award of costs (addressing the OEB's cost eligibility criteria as set out in section 3 of the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*). An explanation of any other funding to which the person has access must also be provided, as should the name and credentials of any lawyer, analyst or consultant that the person intends to retain, if known. All requests for cost eligibility will be posted on the OEB's website. If a licensed rate-regulated electricity distributor has any objections to any of the requests for cost eligibility, such objections must be filed with the OEB by **May 29, 2024**. Any objections will be posted on the OEB's website. The OEB will then make a final determination on the cost eligibility of the requesting participants.

Eligible Activities

The eligible activities are as follows:

Activities Eligible for Cost Awards	Maximum number of hours
Attendance and participation in the June 13 th stakeholder meeting	3 hours
Preparation for June 13 th stakeholder meeting	1.5 hours
Written comments on the Proposal (due June 27 th)	6 hours

Cost Awards

When determining the amount of the cost awards, the OEB will apply the principles set out in section 5 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The maximum hourly rates set out in the Cost Awards Tariff will also be applied. The OEB expects that groups representing the same interests or class of persons will make every effort to communicate and co-ordinate their participation in this process. In accordance with section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*, the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this process. For more information on this process, please see the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

How to File Materials

Please quote file number **EB-2023-0071** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and email address.
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at the [File documents online page](#) on the OEB's website.
- 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 for assistance.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

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.

Email: registrar@oeb.ca

Tel: 1-877-632-2727 (Toll free)