



July 4, 2024

Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
Toronto ON
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Dear Ms. Marconi,

**RE: EB-2024-0199 - Vulnerability Assessment and System Hardening Project -
CCMBC Participant and Cost Eligibility Request Letter**

The Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada (CCMBC, the Coalition) hereby applies for participation and cost eligibility in the EB-2024-0199 Vulnerability Assessment and System Hardening Project.

Statement of Interest

The CCMBC is a frequent intervenor in OEB proceedings and a participant in its consultations. Its current annual filing can be found at:

<https://www.rds.oeb.ca/CMWebDrawer/Record/845744/File/document>

The interest of the CCMBC is the impact on its members of potential increases in electricity distribution rates that may result from this project. The vulnerability assessment methodology that will be standardized could be used by electricity distributors to justify excessive spending on system hardening.

Costs Eligibility

CCMBC is a non-profit organization which relies on membership fees and individual donations to help protect the interests of its member manufacturers and other businesses who are Ontario electricity consumers. CCMBC will be requesting an award of costs for its participation in this project and believes that, as a coalition representing the direct interests of electricity consumers, it meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure and its Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

Communications

Communications relating to this Participant and Cost Eligibility Request Letter and all documents filed with the Board by in this project should be directed to the consultant representing CCMBC,

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of CCMBC,

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