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Nancy Marconi  
Registrar  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership  
Application for 2025-2029 Electricity Transmission Rates  
OEB File Number: EB-2024-0117**

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, OEB staff advises the OEB that parties have come to an agreement regarding an issues list for Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership's application relating to 2025-2029 electricity transmission rates. The proposed issues list is attached.

Further, parties are requesting that the OEB waive the requirement under rule 26.02(e)(ii) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure that the interrogatories correspond to the issues list. Parties are requesting that they may file interrogatories according to the exhibit numbers in the application. Parties believe this approach is more efficient and likely less costly.

Yours truly,

Muhammad Yunus  
Advisor, Generation & Transmission

c: Parties to EB-2024-0117

## PROPOSED ISSUES LIST

EB-2024-0117

### Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership

#### A. GENERAL

1. Has NRLP responded appropriately to all relevant Ontario Energy Board (OEB) directions from previous proceedings?
2. Are all elements of the proposed revenue requirement and their associated total bill impacts reasonable?

#### B. REVENUE REQUIREMENT FRAMEWORK

3. Is the proposed revenue requirement framework appropriate?
4. Is the proposed Earnings Sharing Mechanism appropriate?

#### C. TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN

5. Are the proposed capital expenditures and in-service additions arising from the Transmission System Plan appropriate?

#### D. PERFORMANCE

6. Is the proposed monitoring and reporting of performance adequate?

#### E. OPERATIONS MAINTENANCE & ADMINISTRATION COSTS

7. Are the proposed OM&A expenditures appropriate?
8. Are the amounts proposed to be included in the revenue requirement for income taxes appropriate?
9. Is the proposed depreciation expense appropriate?

#### F. RATE BASE & COST OF CAPITAL, AND REVENUE REQUIREMENT

10. Are the amounts proposed for rate base reasonable?

11. Is the proposed cost of capital (interest on long-term and short-term debt, return on equity) and capital structure appropriate?

12. Is the proposed calculation of the revenue requirement appropriate?

G. DEFERRAL/VARIANCE ACCOUNTS

13. Are the proposed amounts, disposition and continuance of existing deferral and variance accounts appropriate?