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# **DECISION ON COST ELIGIBILITY**

## EB-2022-0079

Dynamic Pricing Options for Non-RPP Class B Electricity Consumers and Invitation to Stakeholder Meeting

By Delegation Before: Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

August 29, 2024

## **OVERVIEW**

On July 22, 2024, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a <u>letter</u> to invite stakeholders to a meeting on September 9, 2024 to seek input on alternative opt-in price plans for Class B consumers that are not eligible for Regulated Price Plan (RPP) prices. The letter indicated that cost awards would be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, and that any costs would be paid for by licensed electricity distributors based on their respective customer numbers.

The letter added that organizations that had previously been found to be eligible for cost awards in the OEB's July 25, 2022, Decision on Cost Eligibility remain eligible and do not need to reapply.

Those organizations are:

- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters
- Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Business of Canada
- Ontario Association of Physical Plant Administrators
- Ontario Chamber of Commerce
- Quinte Manufacturers Association
- School Energy Coalition

After July 22, 2024, the following organization applied for cost award eligibility:

• Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)

No objections were received in relation to this request for cost award eligibility.

### **OEB FINDINGS**

The OEB has determined that, in addition to the six organizations already found to be eligible to apply for an award of costs under this consultation, BOMA is also eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The OEB reminds eligible participants that cost awards will be available to a maximum of one and a half hours for preparation for the September 9, 2024, stakeholder meeting, three hours for attendance and participation in the meeting, and six hours for written comments on the presentation (due October 4, 2024).

The OEB further notes that cost-award eligible participants with similar viewpoints should coordinate their activities in order to reduce costs. Such efforts will be taken into account by the OEB during the decision on award of costs.

#### How to File Materials

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 <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u>.

Please quote file number, **EB-2022-0079** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online</u> filing portal.

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- 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 at 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</u> <u>account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the <u>File</u> <u>documents online page</u> 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 <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u>.

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.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to Dynamic Pricing Options for Non-RPP Class B Electricity Consumers, stakeholders should include <u>ClassB.pricing@oeb.ca</u>.

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