

Ontario Energy Board

Ritchie Murray, Acting Registrar Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street P.O. Box 2319 Toronto Ontario, M4P 1E4

June 27, 2025

Dear Mr. Murray,

Re: Cost claim for Transmission Connections Review – EB-2024-0126

On May 28, 2025 Power Advisory submitted a cost claim in the above matter pursuant to the notice of hearing for cost awards issued by the OEB on May 8, 2025. Power Advisory is representing the Canadian Renewable Energy Association, Energy Storage Canada, and the Ontario Waterpower Association (jointly, "REASCWA") in this proceeding.

In the OEB's letter of August 16, 2024, two Power Advisory staff (Travis Lusney and Roy Hrab) were approved as working group members for Stream 1 and Stream 2, respectively. However, in practice there did not appear to be a clear delineation between Stream 1 and Stream 2 sessions, and therefore in a few instances both individuals participated in meetings simultaneously and/or worked together in preparing materials filed as part of this proceeding.

In preparing the aforementioned cost claim, Power Advisory took note of the maximum number of cost-eligible hours allocated to the various activities pertaining to this proceeding. However, insofar as Mr. Hrab and Mr. Lusney was each approved to participate in the working group, we believed that each was eligible for his own cost claim. We also note that the total number of hours claimed by Power Advisory is below the total number of allowable hours. For these reasons, we respectfully request that the OEB approve the claim as submitted. If the OEB intends to proceed with what is effectively a single combined working group, Power Advisory will ensure that any future claims are combined and remain within the maximum allowable hours for a single participant.

Sincerely,

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Roy Hrab Senior Manager, Policy Research Power Advisory