



Via RESS

July 4, 2025

Mr. Ritchie Murray, Acting Registrar
 Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Mr. Murray:

**Subject: Hydro Ottawa Limited (Hydro Ottawa)
 Custom Incentive Rate-Setting (Custom IR) Application for 2026-2030
 Electricity Distribution Rates and Charges
 OEB File: EB-2024-0115**

As part of Hydro Ottawa's Original Evidence¹ it was indicated that the Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) was undergoing a comprehensive review and that updated information would be filed no later than with responses to interrogatories.

In early 2025, Hydro Ottawa paused its ADMS program (including SCADA Upgrades) and completed a comprehensive review. This review was vital for Hydro Ottawa to navigate the ongoing energy transition, address dynamic changes within the energy sector, and optimize operational capabilities.

The review prompted modifications in the functionality sequence to reflect current priorities and technological advancements, focusing on essential capabilities for the 2026 to 2030 period. As a direct result, some capital expenditures and additions have been shifted into the 2026 to 2030 rate period. The overall capital expenditures and additions for grid modernization over the 2024 to 2030 period are not forecasted to change. As part of the interrogatory response process, Hydro Ottawa will update the impact of this delay on the proposed revenue requirement. Table 1 below outlines the capital expenditures as per the result of the shift in schedule.

Table 1 - Grid Technology Historical, Bridge and Test Year Expenditures (\$'000 000s)

Budget Program	Historical Years				Bridge Year	Test Years				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
SCADA Upgrades	\$ 0.2	\$ 2.6	\$ 5.6	\$ 5.1	\$ 3.3	\$ 3.4	\$ 0.6	-	-	-
ADMS Upgrades & Enhancements	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 1.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 5.0	\$ 0.3
TOTAL	\$ 0.2	\$ 2.6	\$ 5.6	\$ 5.1	\$ 3.3	\$ 3.4	\$ 1.6	\$ 0.1	\$ 5.0	\$ 0.3
5-YEAR TOTAL	\$ 16.8					\$ 10.4				

¹Schedule 2-5-8 - System Service Investments, Section 5.5



The related impact to capital additions is forecasted to reduce the total 2021-2025 OEB-Approved versus Historical and Bridge Year net in-service capital additions variance from \$44.9M² to \$30.4M.

By way of this letter, Hydro Ottawa would like to confirm that updates to relevant OEB Appendices and Workforms will also be completed as part of the interrogatory process.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

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² Schedule 2-1-1 Rate Base Overview Section 3.0 Table 4