

July 17, 2025

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, ON, M4P 1E4

Attn: Registrar

Re: BILD Participation Request for Distribution Customer Connections Working

Group - EB-2025-0204

With more than 1,300 member companies, BILD is the voice of the home building, land development and professional renovation industry in the Greater Toronto Area. The building and renovation industry provides more than 231,000 jobs in the region and \$26.9 billion in investment value. BILD is proudly affiliated with the Ontario and Canadian Home Builders' Associations.

Our association members are land developers and builders, both residential and non-residential, who are community building partners that support the provincial housing plan to reduce the cost of building new housing and providing certainty for families. It is our objective to continue working with the province to enhance employment opportunities, and to help build the 1.5 million new homes needed over the next decade. BILD and its' members have been keenly interested in recent OEB activities and have been intently following and have been involved in many of the recent initiatives as related to the Ministry's direction letter of November 2023. We were therefore very appreciative of the directions delated to the Distribution Systems Code and appreciate the opportunity for many BILD members to participate on the formal Capacity Allocation Model (CAM) Technical Advisory Group.

BILD members drive a significant portion of new load customer connections in the province. As such, the work associated to the Distribution Customer Connections Working Group will also impact our members and their ability to deliver new homes and employment opportunities to support the initiatives of the province. We are also uniquely positioned to represent new electricity ratepayers.

We would like to submit Nick A. lozzo, P.Eng. for participation in this working group as the official BILD representative. Nick has over 35 years of support for both LDC and Land Developers across the province. We feel that his significant experience supporting both significant stakeholder groups will bring a unique perspective to this group. He has also recently participated in the working group to support the development of the new Capacity Allocation Model issued by the OEB.

Mr. lozzo is a Profession Engineer with over 35 years of progressive experience in the electrical distribution space. His career started working for various LDCs and then moved into private practice supporting both the LDC and land developer industries. He has experience with system expansions and the Offer to Connect (OTC) process since the infancy of these regulations. He has interacted with the OEB on many occasions in the past to clarify and update various sections of the DSC.



With respect to LDCs, Nick has supported many in the past in developing and executing OTCs including developing processes and policies and providing the inputs necessary for an LDC to issue OTCs. He has also supported them on how to engage with large scale developments at the onset of development.

For the Land Development industry, he has been considered an expert on all matters dealing with OTCs and has provided advice and guidance on some of the most complex master plans and large-scale connections in Ontario. Some of his past projects include Waterfront Toronto and their development of the Toronto Waterfront, Northcrest as they lead the redevelopment of the Downsview Airport Lands, Infrastructure Ontario and their work at Ontario Place, Innisfil Landowners Groups, virtually every LRT project in the GTA and countless Block Plans in the 905 area.

The task before this working group not one that can be easily defined and resolved without a clear understanding of the issues that are causing stress today. Mr. lozzo has a unique perspective as having had to educate both sides on what is needed and possible within the current regulated framework. We trust that you will take this request under significant consideration and thank you in advance.

In addition, if chosen, we would like to be considered for an award of costs in supporting this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Paula Tenuta

Senior Vice President, Policy & Advocacy

