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October 21, 2025

VIA E-MAIL

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Ontario Energy Board
Toronto, ON

Dear Mr. Murray:

**Re: EB-2024-0115 Hydro Ottawa -2026-2030 Customer IR
Interrogatories to Christensen Associates of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition
(VECC)**

Please find attached the interrogatories of VECC to the evidence of Christensen Associates sponsored by Board Staff in the above-noted proceeding.

Yours truly,

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VECC
Christensen Associates (OEB Staff)
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EB-2024-0115
2026-2030 Custom IR Rate Application

VECC-1

Reference: Exhibit pages 7-8

OM&A PFP grew 8.38 percent. This is likely because outputs remained relatively unchanged while certain OM&A spending was halted. If that year is excluded, the average PFP growth rate was +0.50 percent.

**Table 1:
Ontario Electricity Distribution Annual PFP Growth**

Year	PFP Growth
2014	-2.86%
2015	-0.55%
2016	5.78%
2017	0.75%
2018	5.01%
2019	0.12%
2020	8.38%
2021	0.50%
2022	-2.87%
2023	-1.34%
Avg	+1.29%
Avg, w/out 2020	+0.50%

- a) Christensen Associates proposes substituting a PFP adjustment for the TFP one proposed by Hydro Ottawa. They further suggest to adjust the PFP by removing the results of 2020 on the basis it is an outlier caused by the Pandemic. However, the annual variation in the PFP growth as shown in the table above is large and variable between most years. For example, the change as between 2015 and 2016 is 633 basis points (i.e., -0.55% to + 5.78%). Please comment on the reasons for the variation in the PFP annual growth rates. Please contrast or compare PFP to TFP growth over the same period.

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