



Hydro Ottawa CIR EB-2024-0115 - Expert Report Request

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Nick,

The Statement of Work between the OEB and Christensen Associates, dated June 30, 2025, under Contract No. RFPOEBVOREE06152023 includes the drafting of an expert report, if required. More specifically, Section 1 (Services and Deliverables) of the Statement of Work states the Vendor will,

- d. If required, draft a report critiquing the evidence, and/or prepare an alternative study to rebut or augment the evidence filed (Expert Report). The Expert Report, if required, will be filed on the record of the proceeding.
- e. If an Expert Report is filed, respond to interrogatories filed with respect to the expert's report.
- f. ...
- g. If an Expert Report is filed, the Vendor may be required to testify at the oral hearing to explain the analysis and findings in the Expert's Report.

OEB staff request the preparation of an Expert Report regarding Hydro Ottawa's proposed rate framework (as described in EB-2024-0115, Exhibit 1, Tab 3, Schedule 1, page 8, Table 1, and all supporting material in the application and responses to interrogatories). The purpose of the report is to critically analyze the proposed framework and to suggest any changes or adjustments, where appropriate, to the proposed components, within the context of the OEB's Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity, relevant precedents, and generally accepted rate-making practices in Ontario.

We are requesting a first draft of the report by September 12. Please advise if you have any challenges with the date or the request.

Regards,

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