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October 31, 2025

**EB-2025-0268 Value of Distributed Energy Resources (DERs)  
Pollution Probe Participation & Cost Eligibility Request**

Dear Mr. Murray:

Pollution Probe received the notice for the above noted consultation related to the Value of DERs. Pollution Probe hereby requests participation and that it be eligible for the recovery of reasonably incurred costs for its participation. Pollution Probe represents a direct consumer and policy interest related to the issues outlined in the consultation.

In response to the Minister of Energy and Mines' Integrated Energy Plan (IEP) Directive, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is undertaking this consultation in order to consider how best to unlock the value of DERs, lower barriers to participation and support smarter planning and investment. The review aims to assess current DER compensation and costs and recommend changes or provide an update on actions by the OEB regarding the overall regulatory and compensation frameworks to appropriately reflect the system value of DERs. There is a large number of initiatives underway related (directly or indirectly) to DERs and it is recommended that the OEB include a list of those initiatives and the related outcomes in the materials presented November 24, 2025. This will allow stakeholders to supplement the initial list as appropriate. Careful coordination across those initiatives will ensure a comprehensive inventory of effective actions and ensure that all initiatives are conducted in a complimentary manner to achieve the stated policy outcomes.

Pollution Probe is a frequent participant in OEB consultations and proceedings and a copy of our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board's website at the following location:

<https://www.rds.oeb.ca/CMWebDrawer/Record/893229/File/document>

Pollution Probe is a not-for-profit charitable organization. We receive individual donations as well as funding for consumer and research projects, such as on community energy planning, future of natural gas and regulated utility innovation, from a variety of public and private sources. Without the prospect of an award of costs, Pollution Probe's ability to participate in the consultation process would not be possible.

Pollution Probe has been an active and valuable participant in OEB consultations and will continue to coordinate its activities, where appropriate, with other parties which represent consumer, municipal and environmental interests in Ontario.

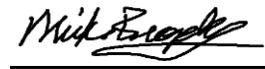
Pollution Probe respectfully requests your acceptance of the request to participate and confirmation that it will be eligible for its costs.

**Notice**

Pollution Probe requests that further communications with respect to this matter be sent to:

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of Pollution Probe.



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