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November 20, 2025

**To: All Participants in Consultation EB-2025-0149
All Other Interested Parties**

**Re: Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards
Stakeholder Consultation on the Review of the OEB's Filing
Requirements For Electricity Transmission Applications - Chapter 1
and Chapter 2**

Ontario Energy Board File No.: EB-2025-0149

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) recently issued its updated *Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications - Chapter 1 and Chapter 2* (Filing Requirements) which apply to revenue requirement applications under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act). This revised version replaces the 2016 edition and reflects the OEB's ongoing commitment to enhancing regulatory clarity, efficiency and responsiveness to sector developments. The updated Filing Requirements, a separate guidance document and an accompanying cover letter were issued October 30, 2025.

Eligibility for Cost Awards

The following organizations participated in the consultation process, and the OEB has determined that they are eligible for cost awards (eligible participants) which will be recovered from all rate-regulated electricity transmitters:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario
- Consumers Council of Canada
- Pollution Probe
- School Energy Coalition

The OEB is now giving notice to the eligible participants that they may submit cost claims in respect of:

- a) The preparation and participation in a virtual meeting held on June 25, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (up to 4.5 hours).
- b) The review and submission of written comments on the proposed draft update issued on June 5, 2025 (up to 6 hours).

Notice of Hearing

The OEB is initiating a hearing on its own motion to determine the cost awards to the eligible participants for the eligible activities, as described above.

The decision on costs will be made by an OEB staff member with delegated authority under section 6 of the OEB Act. The hearing will follow the process set out below.

1. Eligible participants that intend to seek a cost award shall submit their cost claims by **November 28, 2025**. The cost claim must be filed with the OEB, and one copy is to be served on all rate-regulated electricity transmitters. The cost claims must be completed in accordance with section 10 of the OEB's Practice Direction. Cost claims will be made available for review by transmitters through the OEB's Regulatory Document Search webpage under file number [EB-2025-0149](#).
2. Rate-regulated electricity transmitters will have until **December 5, 2025**, to object to any aspect of the costs claimed. The objection must be filed with the OEB, and one copy must be served on the eligible participant against whose claim the objection is being made.
3. An eligible participant whose cost claim was objected to will have until **December 12, 2025**, to file its reply submission, if any, with the OEB, with a copy of the reply submission to be served on the objecting party.
4. The OEB will then issue its decision on cost awards.

The OEB will use the process set out in section 12 of the Practice Direction to implement the payment of the cost awards. The OEB will therefore act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this process.

How to File Materials

Stakeholders are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number **EB-2025-0149** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at the [File documents online page](#) on the OEB's website.
- Stakeholders are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet [set up an account](#), or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact registrar@oeb.ca for assistance.
- Cost claims are now filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar at the address below and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Tina Zhu, at Tina.Zhu@oeb.ca and OEB Legal Counsel, James Sidlofsky, at James.Sidlofsky@oeb.ca.

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