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May 21, 2026

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Dear Aaron Lampe:

Re: Workbench Energy (Workbench Energy)
Application for an Electricity Retailer Licence
OEB File No.: EB-2026-0165

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) received Workbench Energy's application for an electricity storage licence on May 13, 2026. The OEB has assigned file number EB-2026-0165 to the application.

Upon preliminary review of the application, OEB staff has determined it to be incomplete. Accordingly, please be advised that the application cannot be processed until the following missing information is filed:

1. Section 13, Page 22: Finance

The applicant provided financial statements from its parent company, Southcott Ventures Inc.

Section 13(b) of the licence application states that if the applicant submits the financial statements of its parent company, the applicant must also provide a parental guarantee.

Attached to this letter is the OEB's Parental Guarantee. Please complete and submit a signed copy of the OEB's Parental Guarantee to support the use of the applicant's parents' financial statements.

Please note, the OEB only accepts a completed and signed version of its Parental Guarantee form. The OEB will not accept a customized or alternate version of its Parental Guarantee.

2. Compliance with the OEB's Regulatory Requirements

In section 9, Facility Description of the application, the applicant stated that it intends to operate the storage facilities owned by the following entities:

A. Facility Owner: Walker BESS 4 Inc. (under OEB Licence No. ES-2024-0179)

I. Name of Facility: Walker 4 BESS
II. Name of Facility: Walker 5 BESS
III. Name of Facility: Walker 6 BESS
IV. Name of Facility: Almonte BESS

B. Facility Owner: Almonte BESS Inc. (under OEB Licence No. EB-2024-0355)

I. Name of Facility: Almonte BESS 2

C. Facility Owner: North Glengarry BESS Inc. (under OEB Licence No. EB-2025-0070)

I. Name of Facility: North Glengarry BESS

D. Facility Owner: Arlen Energy Storage 1 LP (under OEB Licence No. EB-2025-0184)

I. Name of Facillity: Arlen Energy Storage 1

E. Facility Owner: Vaughan 1E Energy Storage 1 LP (under OEB Licence No. EB-2025-0185)

I. Name of Facility: Vaughan 1E Energy Storage 1

F. Facility Owner: Vaughan 3 Energy Storage 1 LP (under OEB Licence No. EB-2025-0183)

I. Name of Facility: Vaughan 3 Energy Storage 1

Please note: this facility is not operational yet and a licence has not been issued to Vaughan 3 Energy Storage 1 LP.

In order for Workbench Energy to be licensed to operate the facilities listed above, Workbench Energy is required to provide written confirmation that each owner has provided approval to the applicant to become the operator of the facility.

Please submit written confirmation that each owner is aware of and provides their approval that Workbench Energy can become the operator of the facilities listed above.

In addition, each owner of the facility is required to submit a schedule 1 licence amendment application, requesting the OEB amend schedule 1 of its respective licenses, to indicate that Workbench Energy will become the operator of the respective facilities described above.

Please contact each facility owner and request that each owner submit a request under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, a Schedule 1 amendment to their respective electricity storage licenses, to authorize Workbench Energy to become the operator of the facilities listed above.

The OEB will process the application after the noted information is filed with the Registrar at registrar@oeb.ca. Please submit both an electronic Word version and an electronically signed, searchable PDF. If the above information is not filed within 30 days of the date of this letter, the OEB may close the file for this application.

Please note, Workbench Energy is responsible for ensuring that the documents it files with the OEB, such as its evidence, responses to interrogatories and any other supporting documentation, 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 direct any questions to Natasha Gocool, Advisor, Licensing and Compliance Reviews at natasha.gocool@oeb.ca. Please refer to the OEB file number noted above in all future correspondence to the OEB regarding your application.

Yours truly,

John Pickernell

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John Pickernell
Deputy Registrar, Applications Administration