

# OEB Regional Planning Process Review Consultation

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## Regional Planning Process Advisory Group (RPPAG) – Meeting #5

EB-2020-0176

July 14, 2021

# Agenda

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- Welcome and Introduction
- Finalization of RPPAG Recommendations – IESO-Related
- Access to Asset Demographic List Information – HONI Update
- Load Forecast Standardization Guidelines – Subgroup Update
- “Other” RPPAG Recommendations
- Next Steps and Action Items

# Finalization of RPPAG

## Recommendations: IESO-Related

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- Table summarizing OEB staff's understanding of the RPPAG's recommendations – circulated on June 25<sup>th</sup> – will be discussed to determine any required changes before the summary table is finalized

# Access to Asset Demographic List Information

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- HONI to provide an update to the group on its internal discussions as well as discussions with IESO
- Agreement to date is that the information will not be kept confidential, nor will the sharing of the information be limited to the IESO
- Based on discussions with HONI and IESO staff, the information should also not be posted publicly for everyone to have access without any conditions due to system security considerations
- The focus of the discussion should therefore be on how access will be provided to interested stakeholders and the basis upon which it will be provided (i.e., middle-ground between keeping information confidential and full public access)
- OEB staff believes the interconnected [New York ISO \(NYISO\)](#) provides a model that could be used as a model for Ontario – modify as necessary (see next slide)
- If the group is unable to reach a resolution, OEB staff will seek direction from the OEB Executive

# Access to Asset Demographic List Information – NYISO Example

## CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION (“CEII”) NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

1. Please complete this Request Form and Non-Disclosure Agreement to request information that is classified as CEII. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has defined CEII as “specific engineering, vulnerability, or detailed design information about proposed or existing critical infrastructure that: (1) relates details about the production, generation, transportation, transmission, or distribution of energy; (2) could be useful to a person in planning an attack on critical infrastructure; (3) is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552; and (4) does not simply give the general location of the critical infrastructure.”

2. All CEII requests must be specific to the individual submitting the request and to the information being requested. The NYISO requires a separate approved CEII Request Form and NDA for every individual within an organization who obtains or views CEII.

3. CEII information will be provided to you securely, which may require creation of a digital account and installation of a digital certificate. If you are requesting CEII material that will be accessed by multiple individuals in your organization, you may designate a single person in your organization for receipt of the requested CEII to avoid the need to create additional accounts and obtain multiple digital certificates. However, each person you share this information with must have a CEII Request Form and NDA approved by the NYISO.

4. Changes to these Form documents are not permissible due to the volume of requests the NYISO receives and the need to ensure that all entities are treated fairly and equally.

5. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE DISCLOSURE OF CEII TO YOU IS DISCRETIONARY, AND NYISO MAY REJECT YOUR REQUEST FOR ANY REASON.

Any questions regarding the CEII Request Form or Non-Disclosure Agreement may be directed to Stakeholder Services at 518-356-6060 or [stakeholder\\_services@nyiso.com](mailto:stakeholder_services@nyiso.com)

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I am requesting this information as an employee of or consultant to (Select all applicable): \*

- A NYISO Market Participant
- NYISO Interconnection Customer or Developer
- Another Independent System Operator or Regional Transmission Organization
- A federal government agency
- A state government agency
- An electricity reliability organization (e.g., NERC)
- A regional entity (e.g., NPCC)
- A regional planning authority (e.g., EIPC)
- A transmission owner outside the New York Control Area
- Other (NYISO is less likely to grant the request of persons in this category)

Are you requesting this information in your capacity as a consultant?

Note: The above is followed by the details related to the NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (NDA).



# Load Forecast Standardization Guidelines – Update

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- Subgroup to provide an update via a separate deck that will be circulated to the RPPAG in advance of the meeting
  - Subgroup members – Alectra, AMO, Hydro One, IESO, London Hydro, Pollution Probe, Toronto Hydro (lead)
- RPPAG to provide feedback at the meeting

# “Other” RPPAG Recommendations

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1. General Education on the Regional Planning process in Ontario
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3. ....

# Potential “Other” Recommendation

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- IESO’s Final Report noted: *“Cost Sharing and Recovery: The mechanism for having local area beneficiaries (municipalities ...LDCs) pay for NWA’s is very limited ... no guidelines or mechanisms for cost sharing ... also no means by which local communities could elect to pay a premium for a solution that better addresses their preferences but is more expensive than the most cost-effective option.”*
- The OEB has provided some guidance. However, it was in an extensive [2017 Notice of Proposed Code Amendment](#) related to Regional Planning & Cost Responsibility – *“The OEB believes that, where... **premium wires solution** is desired, the **incremental cost** of the investment should be **funded through other means**, rather than through distribution rates (e.g., by the municipal shareholder through ... **property taxes**...).... The LAC **local preference may be DG and/or CDM**”*. (emphasis added)
  - See page 34 of Notice for full discussion
- The RPPAG may wish to recommend the guidance in the Notice be placed in an OEB Bulletin to bring about stakeholder awareness. It would be a “Cost Responsibility”-related recommendation



# Next Steps and Action Items

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- Further discussion of “Other” RPPAG Recommendations (if required)
  - Staff believes this item should be the priority and the focus of discussion at the next meeting until it is fully addressed
- Discuss preparation of document to be provided to the OEB Executive setting out the RPPAG’s recommendations for OEB endorsement
- OEB staff seeks input from RPPAG members on any other matters they wish to engage in at the next meeting
- Next RPPAG meeting to be scheduled week of August 16
  - Target August 17, 18 or 19 (maintain flexibility for members that wish to make a long weekend)

# Questions / Comments?

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