

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,  
S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** a proceeding commenced on the Board's own motion to consider whether proposed amendments to the licence of the Ontario Power Authority (the "OPA") (EO-2010-0220) intended to reflect the OPA's obligations in the regional planning process, are appropriate.

**APPENDIX A**

**TO ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE  
ISSUED ON JUNE 3, 2013**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
TO THE  
LICENCE OF THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY**

**June 3, 2013**

**X. Regional Planning**

X.1 For the purposes of this section X:

"Integrated Regional Resource Plan" means a document prepared by the Licensee that identifies the appropriate mix of investments in one or more of conservation, generation, transmission facilities or distribution facilities in order to address the electricity needs of a region in the near-, mid-, and long-term;

"integrated regional resource planning process" means a planning process led by the Licensee for the purpose of preparing an Integrated Regional Resource Plan for a region;

"lead transmitter" means a licensed transmitter that is leading a regional planning process in a region;

"region" means an area within which the lead transmitter's transmission system is located, in whole or in part, and that has been designated as such by the lead transmitter, in consultation with the Licensee, under section 3C.2.2(a) of the Transmission System Code, for regional planning purposes;

"Regional Infrastructure Plan" means a document prepared by the lead transmitter that identifies investments in transmission and/or distribution facilities that should be developed and implemented on a coordinated basis to meet the electricity infrastructure needs within a region;

"regional infrastructure planning process" means a planning process led by the lead transmitter in accordance with section 3C of the Transmission System Code for the purpose of preparing a Regional Infrastructure Plan for a region; and

"regional planning" means a planning process involving licensed transmitter(s), licensed distributor(s), and the Licensee for the purpose of determining whether a Regional Infrastructure Plan and/or an Integrated Regional Resource Plan is required for a region

and, where required, developing or updating a Regional Infrastructure Plan and/or an Integrated Regional Resource Plan.

## **X.2 Regional Planning Obligations**

X.2.1 The Licensee shall, in consultation with licensed transmitters and licensed distributors in a region, carry out its regional planning obligations.

X.2.2 For the purposes of section X.2.1, the Licensee shall:

- (a) Complete a scoping assessment to determine the appropriate regional planning approach, for a region, within 90 days of being notified by the lead transmitter that regional planning is necessary; specifically, whether an integrated regional resource planning process is required first or a regional infrastructure planning process should proceed immediately. The Licensee shall provide the scoping process outcome report to all licensed distributors and licensed transmitters in the region and post it on its website upon completion;
- (b) Complete an Integrated Regional Resource Plan, within one year of determining that an integrated regional resource planning process is necessary for a region, and inform the lead transmitter of any investment in transmission and/or distribution facilities that are required to meet the electricity needs of the region. The Licensee shall provide the Integrated Regional Resource Plan to all licensed distributors and licensed transmitters in the region and post it on its website upon completion;
- (c) Notify the lead transmitter of any investment in transmission and/or distribution facilities that are necessary to meet the electricity needs of the region over the next five years, where the Licensee has not completed an Integrated Regional Resource Plan within one year, in accordance with section X.2.2(b);
- (d) Participate in the regional infrastructure planning process, as required by the lead transmitter, where a Regional Infrastructure Plan is determined to be necessary for a region;
- (e) Provide the lead transmitter with any information that the transmitter requests for regional planning purposes, within 30 days of a request or a period of time that the Licensee and the lead transmitter agree upon;
- (f) In consultation with the lead transmitter, review the boundaries of the regions in the Province no less than once every five years to determine whether they need to be modified; and
- (g) Provide an annual report to the lead transmitter, on October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, identifying the status of any investments in conservation and/or generation, for each region, in the lead transmitter's transmission system, where an Integrated Regional Resource Plan has been completed.