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**To: All Licensed and Rate Regulated Electricity Distributors
All Intervenors in Electricity Distribution Rate Proceedings for 2023 Rates**

Re: Standard Issues List for Electricity Distribution Rates

Today, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) posted a Standard Issues List for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications (Standard Issues List). The development of the new, Standard Issues List for rate applications will assist in ensuring that the OEB's review is focused and aligned with its mandate and will aid in the enhancement of the efficiency and effectiveness of our adjudicative processes.

On March 31, 2022, the OEB issued a [letter](#) to stakeholders seeking feedback on the [Framework for Intervenor Processes and Cost Awards](#) (Framework). On September 22, 2022 the OEB issued a report [Action Plan in Response to Stakeholder Comments on the Framework](#). Near-Term Project 5 in the report was to develop a standard issues list for Electricity Distribution rate applications.

The OEB has developed the Standard Issues List in consultation with members of the Working Group to Review Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Cost of Service Applications for 2024¹ rates and the Adjudicative Modernization Committee². It was informed by the latest version of the Filing Requirements³ Chapter 2 and Chapter 5.

Appendix A sets out the Standard Issues List for electricity distributor Cost of Service applications and it is also posted on the OEB's website.

The OEB recognizes that some applications can raise unique issues, and the performance standards contemplate that submissions on the Standard Issues List may

¹ Members of the Working Group were identified in the [OEB Letter re: Working Group](#)

² [Adjudicative Modernization Committee | Engage with Us \(oeb.ca\)](#)

³ [Consultation on Updates to Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Cost of Service Applications | Ontario Energy Board \(oeb.ca\)](#)

be needed. It is anticipated that the standard issues list will be sufficient for most applications.

Yours truly,

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