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Dear Ms. Heinz:

**Re: Ontario Energy Board Allocations of CEAP and CEAP-SB Funding**

Through a number of decisions and orders issued by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), the Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) licence requires the IESO to assist with the implementation of the Government of Ontario's COVID-19 Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) and COVID-19 Energy Assistance Program – Small Business (CEAP-SB). In particular, the IESO is responsible for reimbursing licensed electricity distributors and unit sub-meter providers for credits they apply to their customers' bills in accordance with CEAP and CEAP-SB, using funds it receives from the government.

By [letter](#) dated April 21, 2021, the OEB allocated an initial \$4.25 million in CEAP 2021-22 funding to licensed electricity distributors, licensed unit sub-meter providers and gas distributors (collectively, Utilities). The letter also stated that the OEB would allocate the remainder of the CEAP 2021-22 funds (\$12.75 million) over time, as Utilities deplete their existing allocations, so program funding is provided in areas where it is needed most.

As of May 18, 2021, the OEB has received reports from 31 Utilities that have depleted their April 21, 2021 allocations. These Utilities also confirmed receipt of additional applications from customers that may benefit from the programs and provided the OEB with estimated amounts required to cover additional applications received prior to May 31, 2021.

Section 23.6 and 24.6 of the IESO's licence state: "The Licensee shall not reimburse a Utility an amount greater than the total aggregated amount of CEAP and CEAP-SB funding that has been allocated to that Utility by the Board." The IESO is instructed to add the following amounts to the following Utilities' existing maximum CEAP funding allocations referred to in section 23.6 of the IESO's licence:

<b>Utility Name</b>	<b>Additional Allocation to be Added</b>
Alectra Utilities Corporation	\$1,250,000.00
Algoma Power Inc.	\$12,000.00
Atikokan Hydro Inc.	\$774.57
Brantford Power Inc.	\$10,000.00
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$10,000.00
Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power	\$10,000.00
Elexicon Energy Inc.	\$327,800.00
Energy+ Inc.	\$130,000.00
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$218,000.00
EPCOR Electricity Distribution Ontario Inc.	\$10,000.00
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	\$2,455.00
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$15,000.00
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$458,000.00
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$4,000.00
Innpower Corporation	\$12,000.00
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$10,000.00
London Hydro Inc.	\$100,000.00
Metergy Solutions Inc.	\$100,000.00
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$20,000.00
Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.	\$33,000.00
Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.	\$13,350.00
North Bay Hydro Distribution Ltd.	\$18,500.00
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$12,230.00
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$50,000.00
Orangeville Hydro Limited	\$7,500.00
Orillia Power Distribution Corporation	\$5,500.00
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$12,000.00
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$2,750.00
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$830,000.00
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$30,000.00
Wellington North Power Inc.	\$8,000.00

These additional funding amounts shall be made available to the Utilities in advance of the next scheduled IESO reimbursement period (June 2021) in order to provide for claims made by Utilities for the period ending May 31, 2021.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to the OEB's Industry Relations Enquiry e-mail at [IndustryRelations@oeb.ca](mailto:IndustryRelations@oeb.ca). Please include "CEAP/CEAP-SB Implementation" in the subject line.

Yours truly,

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c: All Licensed Electricity Distributors