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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.

On May 19, 2021, the OEB provided additional allocations for several utilities and directed the IESO [via letter](#) to make those funds available to utilities for the June settlement for the period up to May 31, 2021.

As of June 25, 2021, the OEB has received reports from 39 Utilities that have depleted their existing CEAP 2021-22 funds allocated to date. 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 July 1, 2021.

Section 23.6 and 24.6 of the IESO's licence states: "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 amounts in the table below to the following Utilities' existing maximum CEAP funding allocations referred to in section 23.6 of the IESO's licence:

Utility Name	Additional Allocation to be Added
Alectra Utilities Corporation	\$1,500,000
Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation	\$50,000
Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power	\$15,000
E.L.K. Energy Inc.	\$10,000
Energy+ Inc.	\$98,000
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$110,000
ENWIN Utilities Ltd.	\$67,000
EPCOR Electricity Distribution Ontario	\$12,000
ERTH Power Corporation	\$10,000
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	\$5,000
Festival Hydro Inc.	\$20,000
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$35,000
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$2,500
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$1,562,081
Hydro Ottawa Limited	\$100,000
Innpower Corporation	\$15,000
Kingston Hydro Corporation	\$15,000
Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.	\$19,000
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	\$6,000
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$20,000
London Hydro Inc.	\$125,000
Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.	\$16,000
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$24,762
North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited	\$38,874.25
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$10,000
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$40,000
Orangeville Hydro Ltd.	\$2,000
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$36,000
Ottawa River Power Corporation	\$7,000
PUC Distribution Inc.	\$20,000
Renfrew Hydro Inc.	\$15,000
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$10,000
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.	\$12,324.86
Synergy North Corporation	\$60,000
Tillsonburg Hydro Inc.	\$7,290.04
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$760,124
Wasaga Distribution Inc.	\$10,000
Waterloo North Hydro Inc.	\$50,000
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$50,000
Metergy Solutions Inc.	\$100,000
Wyse Meter Solutions Inc.	\$4,000

These additional funding amounts shall be made available to the Utilities in advance of the next scheduled IESO reimbursement period (July 2021) in order to provide for claims made by Utilities for the period ending June 30, 2021.

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

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'BH', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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