

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

The Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario has applied for a review of amendments to the market rules made by the Independent Electricity System Operator regarding the Transitional Capacity Auction and to stay the operation of the amendments.

On September 26, 2019, the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO) filed with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) an application under section 33 of the *Electricity Act, 1998* requesting that the OEB review a set of market rule amendments made by the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) (MR-00439-R00 to -R05: Transitional Capacity Auction). The amendments to the market rules enable the evolution of the IESO's Demand Response Auction into a Transitional Capacity Auction, including to allow participation by certain generators.

The amendments to the market rules were published by the IESO on September 5, 2019 and have an effective date of October 15, 2019.

AMPCO requests that the OEB revoke the amendments to the market rules and refer them back to the IESO for further consideration.

AMPCO also requests that the OEB stay the operation of the market rule amendments pending completion of the OEB's review.

Section 33(9) of the *Electricity Act, 1998* provides that, if the OEB finds that an amendment to a market rule is inconsistent with the purposes of the Act or unjustly discriminates against or in favour of a market participant or class of market participants, the OEB shall make an order revoking the amendment on a date specified by the OEB and referring the amendment back to the IESO for further consideration.

The OEB is required by section 33(6) of the *Electricity Act, 1998* to issue an order that embodies its final decision in this matter within 120 days of the date of receipt of the application.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The OEB will hold a public hearing to consider AMPCO's application, which is available on the OEB's website: <https://www.oeb.ca/industry/applications-oeb>. The file number for this case is **EB-2019-0242**. You can also phone Michael Bell, OEB Case Manager, at 1-888-632-6273 extension 688 with any questions.

Interested parties may participate in this proceeding in one of two ways:

- File a letter of comment. A copy of your letter of comment will be provided to the parties to the proceeding and to the hearing panel.
- Request to be an intervenor if you have a substantial interest in the proceeding. If you wish to be an intervenor, the OEB must receive your request by **October 11, 2019** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.

The OEB may order costs in this proceeding. You must indicate in your intervention request whether you expect to seek costs and the grounds for your eligibility for costs in accordance with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

The OEB will determine later in the process whether to hold an oral or written hearing in this case. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **October 11, 2019**.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under section 33 of the Electricity Act, 1998.



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