

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

The Independent Electricity System Operator has applied to raise its usage fees. Learn more. Have your say.

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to raise its domestic usage fee to \$1.2187/MWh effective January 1, 2017, a 4.7% increase from the previously approved usage fee. If the application is approved, a typical residential customer in Ontario will see an increase of \$0.04 per month in the IESO fee which is included in the Regulatory Charges line of your electricity bill. For export customers, the IESO is requesting a usage fee of \$0.9872 per MWh effective January 1, 2017, a 2.8% increase from the previously approved usage fee.

The IESO is also seeking the following approvals:

- a 2017 gross revenue requirement (excluding forecast revenue) of \$191.4 million, which includes capital expenditures of \$25 million and \$12 million of funding for the Market Renewal project
- to retain \$10 million as an operating reserve, and to rebate \$12.5 million to market participants
- to continue to charge registration fees, a non-refundable application fee for the Feed-in Tariff program and a market participation application fee at the current rates

It is important to review the application carefully to determine whether you may be affected by these and other approvals that the IESO is seeking.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the IESO's requests. We will consider the evidence filed by the IESO, question the IESO on its proposals, and allow interested individuals and groups that wish to participate to provide evidence, question the company and make arguments about whether the requests should be granted. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will determine if the IESO's proposed revenue requirement, expenditures and fees are appropriate and whether the approvals sought should be granted.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review the IESO's application on the OEB's website now.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **June 12, 2017** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2017-0150**. To learn more about how to participate in this hearing, including how to file a letter with your comments or how to become an intervenor, go to: www.oeb.ca/participate. From that OEB web page you can also enter the file number **EB-2017-0150** to see all the documents related to this case. You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The IESO has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **June 12, 2017**.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter or the documents you file with the OEB 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 subsections 25(1) of the Electricity Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).

