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To: All Licensed and Rate-regulated Electricity Distributors All Other Interested Parties

Re: Update on Activity and Program-based Benchmarking: Updated Unit Cost Results (EB-2018-0278)

On <u>May 4, 2022</u>, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) published a new Activity and Program-based Benchmarking (APB) report with improved unit cost calculations and updated unit cost results for years 2018, 2019, and 2020.

Subsequently, in the 2022 annual Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements (RRR) filings for 2021 data, distributors began filing information needed to perform APB unit cost calculations on an ongoing basis as outlined in the <u>March 20, 2022</u> letter.

Using the existing unit cost calculations and the data from the 2022 RRR filings, OEB staff has updated the unit cost results for 2021 in a new <u>APB – Unit Cost Report</u>. In keeping with Chapter 2 of the cost of service filing requirements (2.1.6. – Performance Management), distributors should consider these 2021 unit cost results when preparing cost of service applications for rates effective in 2024. For distributors that have made revisions to their previously filed RRR data for historical fiscal years (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020), those historical unit costs have also been updated where applicable.

Any questions relating to this letter can be directed to the Performance Analytics & Reporting team at <u>performance_reporting@oeb.ca</u> or contact us at the OEB's toll-free number 1-888-632-6273.

Sincerely,

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