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Subject: Regional Electricity Planning Update for the South Georgian Bay/Muskoka Region

Regional electricity planning activities have begun for the <u>South Georgian Bay/Muskoka</u> region. A webinar is scheduled for October 14 at 10 a.m. to provide an overview of the electricity planning process, the needs that have been identified for this area, and to seek input on the draft Scoping Assessment report to determine the most appropriate planning approach going forward to meet the needs.

A draft copy of the report will be shared for review in advance of the webinar and written comments will be invited until November 4.

**Register** here to participate in the webinar. All interested parties are invited to participate including, but not limited to, local municipalities, Indigenous communities, businesses, stakeholders and members of the general public. Visit the engagement webpage for more information.

The South Georgian Bay/Muskoka region is defined on electrical infrastructure boundaries, and includes Simcoe County, Dufferin County, County of Grey, District of Muskoka, and the District and Parry Sound and related municipalities, and the First Nations of Henvey Inlet, Magnetawan, Shawanaga, Wasauksing, Moose Deer Point, Beausoleil, Wahta Mohawks, Chippewas of Rama, Chippewas of Georgina Island, and Mississaugas of Scugog. A map of geographical boundaries can be found on the <u>IESO website</u>.

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) will work with electricity sector partners (transmitters and local distribution companies), stakeholders, communities and other interested parties to help define the specific needs and explore possible solutions to meet those needs for the sub-region as this new planning cycle commences. The Scoping Assessment Report is the first step of this engagement process and your feedback will be important to help shape the electricity planning activities that will be undertaken in your region.

The last cycle of electricity planning concluded in December 2016 with the publication of Integrated Regional Resource Plans (IRRP) for the sub-regions of <a href="Barrie/Innisfil">Barrie/Innisfil</a> and <a href="Parry">Parry</a> <a href="Sound/Muskoka">Sound/Muskoka</a> that included recommendations to ensure an adequate and reliable electricity supply continues for residents and businesses.

To view relevant documents and learn more about the South Georgian Bay/Muskoka region, please visit <a href="http://ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/GTA-and-Central-Ontario/South-Georgian-Bay-Muskoka">http://ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/GTA-and-Central-Ontario/South-Georgian-Bay-Muskoka</a>

For more information about the regional planning process, please visit <a href="http://www.ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/About-Regional-Planning/How-the-Process-Works">http://www.ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/About-Regional-Planning/How-the-Process-Works</a>

Regards,

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