

## **IESO Engagement**

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**Subject:** SME Licence Order Working Group Now Completed

The SME Licence Renewal Order Implementation Working Group was initiated in March 2016 to collaborate with LDCs and other interested parties on the development of a plan to implement the collection of enhanced data in the Meter Data Management/Repository (MDM/R) in a manner compliant with applicable legislation and privacy requirements. The project was initiated in response to the Ontario Energy Board's decision of January 26, 2016 requesting the implementation plan be completed by January 1, 2017. With the plan now completed, the February 24, 2017 meeting marked the closeout of the SME Licence Order Working Group.

The IESO would like to extend the most sincere thanks to all participants and observers in the Working Group, the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario (IPC), the privacy consultant Privacy Analytics Inc. and all other organizations who provided guidance and support throughout this process. All parties collaborated extremely well to meet the objectives of the OEB Order and established the following technical protocols for the collection of the additional information (following a thorough privacy assessment):

- 6 digit postal code (unique dwelling postal codes masked by LDCs)
- Distributor and Commodity rate classes
- Occupant Change date, generalized at yearly level

Compliance with the OEB Order is almost complete with most LDCs having sent the additional information to the IESO – the IESO will issue a formal report to the OEB by mid-March 2017, that will substantiate the details of compliance with the OEB order for each LDC in the province.

The IESO will initiate a new formal engagement initiative to broadly collaborate on refining and building the plan towards third party access to the enhanced data within the provincial data repository in accordance with the provisions of the [OEB's order](#). More details will be made available soon on the IESO stakeholder engagement website and announced in the IESO Weekly Bulletin – to subscribe email [customer.relations@ieso.ca](mailto:customer.relations@ieso.ca) .

The IESO and the Smart Metering team look forward to a continued collaboration in 2017.