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Notice of Application and Directions on Procedure
Application to Export Electricity on an Emergency Basis to the United States
Independent Electricity System Operator (the IESO)

By an application dated November 6, 2026, the Independent Electricity System Operator, (the Applicant), has applied to the Canada Energy Regulator (the CER) under Division 2 of Part 7 of the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act* (the Act) for authorization to export on an emergency basis up to 4,000 MW of firm power and energy, for a period of 10 years commencing on March 1, 2027. These emergency exports would be in accordance with the terms, or as amended, of interconnection and coordination agreements between the IESO (or its predecessors) and the New York ISO, the Midwest ISO, and Minnesota Power (Allete Inc.) that were executed on May 1, 2025, May 1, 2025 and May 1, 2023, respectively.

The Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (the Commission) wishes to obtain the views of interested parties on this application before issuing a permit or recommending to the Governor in Council that the application be designated for a licensing procedure. The Directions on Procedure that follow explain in detail the procedure that will be used.

1. The Applicant shall provide a copy of the application by email to any person who requests one by emailing gisselle.lopez@ieso.ca. The application is also publicly available on the CER's website at https://apps.cer-rec.gc.ca/REGDOCS/Item/View/94151.

2. Written submissions that any interested party wishes to present shall be filed online with the CER in care of the Secretary of the Commission, and emailed to the Applicant, by December 7, 2026.

3. Pursuant to subsection 359(2) of the Act, the Commission is interested in the views of submitters with respect to

   (a) the effect of the exportation of the electricity on provinces other than that from which the electricity is to be exported; and

   (b) whether the Applicant has

      (i) informed those who have declared an interest in buying electricity for consumption in Canada of the quantities and classes of service available for sale; and

      (ii) given an opportunity to buy electricity on conditions as favourable as the conditions specified in the application to those who, within a reasonable time after being so informed, demonstrate an intention to buy electricity for consumption in Canada.

4. Any answer to submissions that the Applicant wishes to present, in response to items 2 and 3 of this Notice of Application and Directions on Procedure, shall be filed with the CER in care of the Secretary of the Commission and emailed to the party that filed the submission by December 22, 2026.

5. For further information on the procedures governing the Commission's examination, contact the Secretary of the Commission at (403) 292-4800 (telephone).

The CER's preferred filing method is online through its e-filing tool, https://apps.cer-rec.gc.ca/efile/ElectronicDocumentSubmission.aspx?GoCTemplateCulture=en-CA, which provides step-by-step instructions. If you are unable to file documents online, you may send them by email to secretary@cer-rec.gc.ca.

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