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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) would like to invite you to participate in our upcoming webinar where we dive deep into the expansion of smart meter data access – a transformation that's shaping the energy landscape.

In 2022, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) opened the door for Canadian Governmental Entities to access electricity consumption data, marking a significant milestone. Building on this, the IESO is now taking the next big step by assessing the potential value of access expansion. Our goal is clear: to embrace transparency, inclusivity, and data security with utmost care.

We understand the untapped potential of smart meter data and the complexities that come with expansion – from privacy concerns to the diverse benefits and potential revenue streams. To navigate this journey successfully, we are developing a comprehensive consultation and engagement strategy. Our aim is to submit our recommendation for expanding third party access to the data to the OEB in Q2 2024, equipped with a strategy that considers multiple perspectives.

We value the contributions of our past partners, such as the Local Distribution Companies (LDCs), Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC). Now, we are extending our reach to new voices to ensure a well-rounded perspective.

One public engagement session took place in October, and we're eager to continue the conversation with stakeholders like generators, battery storage, aggregators and demand response (DR) communities. Your insights are invaluable as we chart the course for the potential for expanding smart meter data access.

To register for the upcoming engagement sessions and to stay informed, please visit <u>Expanding Third Party Access to the Smart Metering Data</u> and select the sessions that align with your interests and expertise.

This webinar promises deep insights into our proposed strategy, the issues we're addressing, and the potential impact of expanding data access. It's an opportunity for you to ask questions, share your insights, and be part of a pivotal conversation.

We look forward to your active participation in shaping the future of smart meter data access. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the IESO engagement team at: engagement@ieso.ca

Regards, IESO Engagement