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Thank you for participating in the Long-Term Request for Proposal (LT RFP) community engagement events about meeting Ontario's future electricity needs.

The final Expedited Process (E-LT1) procurement documents including the final E-LT1 RFP, Contract and Prescribed Forms are now available on the Long-Term RFP <u>website</u>. The posting of these documents officially signals the launch of the E-LT1 procurement.

The Expedited Process is the first of a series of long-term procurements that the IESO will run in order to help address emerging system needs. The Expedited Process aims to help address these needs by acquiring capacity from new-build resources and expansions at existing facilities that are able to reach commercial operation as early as May 1, 2025. Proponents have until February 16, 2023 to submit their proposals. The Long-Term procurement (LT1 RFP) is expected to be launched in 2023.

During the E-LT1 open procurement period, municipalities can expect proponents to continue to reach out to obtain support from municipalities. Municipal support or approval is a mandatory requirement for the procurement and must be evidenced in the E-LT1 Contract unless proponents have obtained support ahead of a Proposal Submission (to be eligible for rated criteria points):

- 1. A Municipal Support Confirmation (submitted prior to Proposal Submission to be eligible for Rated Criteria points or after the Contract Date to meet a contractual requirement), or
- 2. After the Contract Date, a letter signed by a Land Use Planner confirming that all permits and approvals that are required to be issued by or on behalf of a local Municipality for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Facility.

By allowing for a letter signed by a Land Use Planner that confirms that all permits and approvals required for construction, operation and maintenance of a given facility, as optional evidence alongside a Municipal Support Confirmation, the IESO is enabling Municipalities to keep control of their own siting, permitting and approvals processes.

Please refer to the Prescribed Forms <u>Evidence of Municipal Support</u> and <u>Community Engagement</u> <u>Requirements</u> for details.

Municipalities have been integral to the design of this procurement process and how it has shaped the final E-LT1 RFP and Contract. A summary of the feedback received following the September 20 Long-Term RFP Community Engagement webinar for municipalities along with the IESO <u>responses</u> to illustrate how your feedback shaped the final documents, is available on the Long-Term RFP <u>community engagement webpage</u>. **IESO Procurement Communications Protocol:** Now that this procurement process is active, all parties must adhere to the communications protocols outlined in Section 3.4 of the final E-LT1 RFP. Any communication to the IESO must be only conducted in writing via the <u>LT.RFP@ieso.ca</u> inbox, and questions received will be responded in accordance with the procurement Question and Comment Period schedule located at the bottom of the <u>Long-Term RFP webpage</u>. The IESO may, at its own discretion, publicly address additional questions outside of the above schedule. This could include email-based communications, or updating the <u>FAQ document</u> posted on the Long-Term RFP website.

The IESO is committed to continuing to work with sector stakeholders and communities as we develop approaches to address future reliability needs in a timely, cost-effective and flexible manner. This Expedited Process is part of the IESO's Resource Adequacy Framework intended to address growing electricity needs described in the IESO's <u>Annual Planning Outlook (APO)</u>. The APO provides the yearly long-term view of Ontario's electricity system that forecasts electricity demand and supply needs. The next APO will be released in mid-December 2023.

We look forward to your continued involvement. We will be in touch early in 2023 for an invitation to next Long-Term RFP community engagement webinar to continue the dialogue with communities about addressing Ontario's electricity needs.

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