



**NOVEMBER 18TH 2020**

# Energy Transformation Network of Ontario (ETNO)

## Meeting 7 Support Materials



# Welcome and Introduction

## Agenda Item 1

Intended outcomes of this meeting:

- Discuss the feedback received from the IESO's Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) at the November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 meeting
- Provide an update on the status of the COVID-19 Impacts Summary and the Recommendations on Improving Access to Data
- Debrief on the development of the Improving Access to Data report & ETNO Next Steps
- Provide an update on the upcoming meetings with the OEB, Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines, and IESO



# IESO SAC Feedback: Improving Access to Data

## Agenda Item 2

- Main categories of the ETNO recommendations on Improving Access to Data were presented by the ETNO Chair and Vice-Chair
- ETNO informed SAC of the following questions/themes that are under consideration for the next sprint and were asked if they had any comments:
  - Should LDCs be permitted to own and operate DERS?
  - What other non-distribution uses should LDCs engage in?



# IESO SAC Feedback: Improving Access to Data (Continued)

## Agenda Item 2

- What potential DER structures hold the most promise with respect to efficiency and consumer benefit? Will LDCs become system operators or load-serving entities?
- How would utility remuneration models need to change to respond?



# IESO SAC Feedback: Improving Access to Data

## **Comments from SAC included the following:**

### **From members representing Generators**

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Important to consider how potential DERs will be structured in terms of drivers, resiliency and cost effectiveness.

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Consideration on how ETNO work fits with the Resource Adequacy Framework. It was noted that Ontario Power Generation is the only generator on ETNO list.

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The Resource Adequacy Framework does not appear to include a category that deals with DERs.

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LDCs should not be in the generation business. Provincial direction and policy guardrails may be required to address this matter.

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Both large and small generators need to be represented.

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# IESO SAC Feedback ... continued

## **From members representing Energy Related Businesses and ServicesA**

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There appears to be overlap between OEB engagements and with IESO's white papers Parts 1 & 2. Third party providers are able to do things more cheaply; more references should be made to competition.

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DERs owned by rate-based LDCs is an important topic that needs to be addressed soon.

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## **From members representing Consumers**

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Consider how the IESO application for third-party data in 2021 fits with what ETNO and OEB are doing to ensure coordination and prioritization of the best interest of the consumer.

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Question was asked whether consumers could opt out of having their information disclosed; consumers want choice and would need to provide consent to providing their information. They also shouldn't be excluded from the discussion.

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ETNO's membership should include electricity customers (large and small).

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There is potential of duplication of work between ETNO and the OEB.

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# Recommendations on Improving Access to Data - Update

## Agenda Item 3

Recommendations were circulated for additional feedback after comments on recommendation (1) green button, and (2) data from DERs, were incorporated after the first round of comments.

Two additional comments were received from ETNO members specific to recommendation #2 (Develop policies to enforce standards for third parties accessing customer data) during this second round of soliciting feedback:

Comment received: *Policies/guidelines need to be clearly defined.*

- The report was updated to reflect this recommendation.



## Recommendations on Improving Access to Data – Update (continued)

Comment received: *With regards to the recommendation in the report to create standards for data use, retention etc. by third parties to protect consumers, it was suggested that the report should not only view consumer protection from the perspective of the privacy of residential customers but should also consider the protection of data for larger commercial consumers where the protection of energy data could have proprietary and competitive implications.*





## Recommendations on Improving Access to Data – Update (continued)

- Large commercial entities generally have the legal resources required to protect their own data and likely do not require regulator/government involvement for this purpose. Keeping this recommendation focused on smaller, potentially vulnerable consumers is a way to limit the extent of regulatory burden that would be imposed on third parties by this recommendation and is consistent with the existing regulatory framework for consumer protection with regards to energy retailers.



# Debrief on the development of the Improving Access to Data recommendations

## Agenda Item 4

Purpose: to debrief on the experience of developing the recommendations in order to improve the approach and experience for the next work sprint

Discussion questions:

- From your perspective, what was the most beneficial aspect of developing the recommendations?



## Debrief on the development of the Improving Access to Data recommendations (Continued)

### Agenda Item 4

- How could the process used to determine alignment and points of divergence on key issues/recommendations be improved going forward?
- What, if anything, would you change about the format/structure of future reports/work sprint products?



## ETNO Next Steps

- Decisions need to be made on the following:
- How should the topic for the next sprint be framed? In particular, how might the questions regarding how ETNO's work fits with the many other initiatives underway, be answered?
- What timing/schedule should ETNO establish for itself?
- Chair/Vice Chair to follow up on suggestions to consider changes to membership.



# COVID-19 Impacts Summary

## Agenda Item 5

No objections or further comments were received on the Summary document.

Next Steps: Share more broadly with IESO Board and other interested parties over the coming weeks /as requested



# Next Steps and Adjourn

## Agenda Item 6

- IESO to distribute meeting summary notes with discussion outcomes
- ETNO Members to review meeting summary notes/propose any suggested changes
- Format Improving Access to Data recommendations with IESO communications team, post publicly and discuss at decision maker meetings
- Share COVID -19 Impacts Summary more broadly with interested parties/as requested



## Next Steps and Adjourn (Continued)

### Agenda Item 6

- Meeting invitations to the OEB, Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines, and IESO have been sent out; meeting dates are being established
  - OEB has confirmed December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30am. Confirmation needed on which ETNO members will attend.
- ETNO meeting on December 16 to discuss topics for next work sprint

# Thank You

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