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Dear Mr. Vellone:

**Re: E.L.K. Energy Inc. (E.L.K. Energy)
2022 Cost of Service Application
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2021-0016**

The OEB acknowledges receipt of E.L.K. Energy's letter dated March 31, 2021 regarding requested adjustments to its 2022 Cost of Service (COS) application. In its letter, E.L.K. Energy proposed a modified approach to its 2022 COS application by reducing the amount of information that needs to be filed. E.L.K Energy stated that some of the historical years (2012-2015) for the 2022 COS application was evidence in the 2017 COS application and was already tested in the interrogatory phase. The same information is required again in this application because E.L.K Energy agreed to withdraw its application as part of a settlement proposal, which was accepted by the OEB.¹

E.L.K. Energy proposed the following modified approach:

- Incorporate into the record of E.L.K. Energy's 2022 COS application evidence already on the record in EB-2016-0066 for E.L.K. Energy's historical data from 2012-2015.
- In its 2022 COS Application, E.L.K. Energy will be explicit in terms of identifying exactly what information from the record in EB-2016-0066 reflects the correct and most current information and will include references as appropriate.
- To the extent that there is additional data or changes required to the record in EB-2016-0066, E.L.K. Energy will explicitly identify those as part of its 2022 COS Application.

¹ EB-2016-0066 Decision and Rate Order, November 2, 2017

- To facilitate comparison over the entire historical period and as requested by the Intervenor and to the extent that the following Chapter 2 Appendices are part of 2022 Chapter 2 Filing Requirements, E.L.K. Energy undertakes to provide these appendices with data from 2012 to 2022 (historical, bridge and test years):
 - 2-AA Capital Projects
 - 2-AB Capital Expenditures
 - 2-BA Fixed Asset Continuity Schedule
 - 2-JA OM&A Summary Analysis
 - 2-JB Recoverable OM&A Cost Drivers
 - 2-JC OM&A Programs
 - 2-K Employee Costs
 - 2-OB Debt Instruments

E.L.K. Energy stated that the purpose of the modified approach is to help reduce the workload and financial burden on E.L.K Energy and not intended to limit Intervenor or OEB Staff from asking relevant interrogatories related to information on the evidentiary record, including information pertaining to the 2012 to 2015 period.

The OEB has considered E.L.K. Energy's request and grants approval for a modified approach as proposed by E.L.K. Energy.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Christine E. Long
Registrar

c: Mark Danelon, E.L.K. Energy Inc.
Intervenor from EB-2016-0066