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Ms Lesley Gallinger President and Chief Executive Officer Independent Electricity System Operator 1600—120 Adelaide Street West Toronto ON M5H 1P1

## Dear Ms Gallinger:

I am writing to you once again regarding the Ministry of Energy's (ENERGY) proposal to launch an Interruptible Rate Pilot (IRP). As I noted in my August 2022 correspondence, providing large customers with an interruptible rate is part of the work government is undertaking to providing more choices for households and businesses to manage their electricity usage and lower their bills.

Following receipt of the Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) December 9, 2022, report back on a detailed IRP design proposal, I am supportive of IESO sharing with stakeholders the draft pilot rules and contract, based on the pilot design proposal submitted to ENERGY, including the approach to continue engaging with the hydrogen community with the aim of adapting the IRP to develop a future pilot or program that is tailored for hydrogen producers in Ontario.

Continuing the consultation process in this manner would enable continued progress towards implementing and launching the IRP on July 1, 2023, subject to a potential Minister's Directive and any requirements thereunder.

Thank you for your continued collaboration on this timely initiative.

Sincerely,

Minister

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Jason Fitzsimmons, Deputy Minister of Energy