# Feedback Form

## Hydrogen Innovation Fund: Draft Application Guideline (Program Rules) and Materials Webinar– February 22, 2023

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Following the February 22, 2023 engagement webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from stakeholders on the items discussed during the webinar. The webinar presentation and recording can be accessed from the <u>engagement web page</u>. For more details on the Hydrogen Innovation Fund, please see the <u>Low-Carbon Hydrogen Strategy</u> engagement page.

**Please submit feedback to** <u>engagement@ieso.ca</u> by **March 8, 2023**. If you wish to provide confidential feedback, please submit as a separate document, marked "Confidential". Otherwise, to promote transparency, feedback that is not marked "Confidential" will be posted on the engagement webpage.



## **Funding Requirements**

Торіс	Feedback
Do you have any general feedback on the funding requirements?	N/A

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

Торіс	Feedback
Are the evaluation criteria clear and complete?	Yes, evaluation criteria and point scoring is clear.

#### General Comments/Feedback

Atura Power is leading the way in supplying the low-carbon hydrogen economy in Ontario and fully supports the goal of the Hydrogen Innovation Fund to better understand how hydrogen production as a load can provide significant value to the grid in addition to decarbonizing electrical generation with low-carbon hydrogen.

#### **Feedback on Draft Application Guideline:**

- Eligibility timelines for existing facilities to commence, and for research/feasibility studies to be submitted should be extended from December 31, 2023 to a timeframe that is at least 12 months from the date of being notified of funding success. Since the target for notifying applicants of successful HIF outcome is Q3 2023 as noted in Section 4 of the HIF RFP Proposal Guideline, the timeframe to have projects completed will cause constraints on project execution. Extending this timeframe should not impact the 36-month maximum of project length.

Exploring how hydrogen production can benefit the grid with regulation service, ramping up and down quickly, interruptible operation, and timely response will support the operation of a reliable and cost-effective electrical grid.