

# Feedback Form

## Long Lead-Time RFP – March 26, 2026

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To promote transparency, feedback submitted will be posted on the Long Lead-Time RFP engagement page unless otherwise requested by the sender.

- NO - There is confidential information, do not post**
- YES - Comfortable to publish to the IESO web page**

Following the March 26<sup>th</sup> Long Lead-Time RFP engagement webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from stakeholders on the items discussed. The presentation and recording can be accessed from the Long Lead-Time RFP engagement webpage.

**Note:** The IESO will accept additional materials where it may be required to support your rationale provided below. When sending additional materials, please indicate if they are confidential.

**Please submit feedback to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca) by April 15, 2026.**

## Section 1: Stakeholder Engagement Materials

### Supply Chain Disclosure Plan & Related Incentives

Do you have any feedback on the proposed plan or additional incentives? No comment

Do you have any feedback on the proposed mechanism to address failure to meet committed percentage of Canadian content? Thank you for outlining liquidated damages calculations, however, the primary concern is the reliance on a single round of LLT procurement. Limiting LLT to a single round of procurement will create a bottleneck with multiple projects competing for limited Canadian sourced construction, engineering and other professional services. Ultimately, this bottleneck increases time and cost risk to the LLT participants and may erode the competitive nature of the RFP by limiting the number of projects and adding to the risk premiums within the bids themselves.

### Access Rights: Requirements

Do you have any feedback on the proposed requirements? Why is the process not already open to LLT participants? MNR delaying application acceptance for access until the MEM Directive creates another bottleneck with potentially dozens of applicants all submitting to MNRF at the same time. Is MNRF properly resourced to manage the deluge of applications? What time guarantee is MNRF putting on application turn around? How long is the lag time between the directive to IESO to commence with LLT and the MNRF's ability to open its process. Questions remain around the MNRF process and response from the MNRF to those questions is not occurring.

### Reserve Price

Do you have any feedback related to the attributes that are being considered as part of the calculation of the Reserve Price? Please note: Stakeholders are encouraged to provide any supporting documents or reports that they would like the IESO to consider.

As broadly expressed by the waterpower industry, the reserve bid, as currently contemplated by IESO, adds unacceptable risk to proponents who will either opt out of bidding or add further risk premiums to their bids. Bid fees notwithstanding, the cost to competently prepare greenfield sites for bidding can range broadly from \$250,000 to considerably more for preliminary engineering, design, surveying, first nations/ municipal engagement, hydraulic modeling, capital cost etc. With the stated main rationale for the Bid Reserve being cost control, there has been no meaningful indication on how IESO is going to calculate cost or how it will be compared to other energy fuel sources, system benefits, replacement. We strongly recommend IESO let the market determine price and evaluate the long term system and rate based benefits without putting an artificial reserve bid in place.

Are there any further items that you would like the IESO to consider (e.g., project financing impacts)? Not at this time

## Deliverability

Do you have any feedback on the Proposed pre-deliverability activities? Not at this time

Do you have any feedback to share on the Deliverability Testing approach and related guidance outlined in the presentation? Not at this time

*Please note that the IESO intends to post the Deliverability Test Methodology document to the LLT RFP website by mid-April.*

## Regulation Services Readiness Requirements

Do you have any feedback on the Regulation Services Readiness Requirements? Not at this time

## Withdrawal Capability Check Test

Do you have any feedback related to the Withdrawal Capability Check Test? This is achievable. No further comment at this time

## General Comments/Feedback

Do you have additional feedback to share with the IESO?

## Section 2: RFPs, Contracts and Prescribed Forms

Do you have additional feedback to share with the IESO in relation to the updated RFPs, Contracts and Prescribed forms that will be posted to the website on April 1, 2026?

Please use the table below to provide specific feedback.

Document	Section Reference	Feedback
