

Feedback Form

Long Lead-Time RFP – April 23, 2026

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- NO - There is confidential information, do not post
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Following the April 23rd 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 by April 30, 2026.

Procurement Milestones

Do you have any feedback on the procurement milestones, specifically the proposed dates for the Proponent's deadline for submitting questions and comments and the Proponent's deadline for registration?

Supply Chain Disclosure Plan

Do you have any feedback on the implementation of the Supply Chain Disclosure Plan policy requirements in the LLT RFPs?

Do you have any feedback on the Supply Chain Disclosure Plan Prescribed Form?

Do you have any feedback on the requirements related to the Committed Canadian Content Percentage incentive?

General Comments/Feedback

Do you have additional feedback to share with the IESO?

1. Referencing Section 3.7.d.ii., Performance Security (pages 34–35) of the April 1 draft of the **IESO Long Lead-Time Energy Supply (LLT€) Request for Proposals:**

The amount of Proposal Security (which shall be converted into Completion and Performance Security upon execution of the LLT€ Contract) shall be twenty thousand Dollars (\$20,000) per MW of Contract Capacity (with MW rounded to two decimal places in the event of partial MW), subject to a minimum total amount of three-hundred thousand Dollars (\$300,000) and a maximum of fifteen million Dollars (\$15,000,000).

While the Performance Security is listed at \$20,000 per MW, IESO requires a minimum of \$300,000? **This effectively treats all projects as if they are 15 MW in size, which penalizes smaller projects — for example, a 1 MW project would still carry a \$300,000 Performance Security requirement.**

If the IESO wishes to encourage submissions to the LLT-Energy, it's recommended that:

- **The Performance Security's minimum should be revised to \$20,000 to reflect the minimum project size that will be submitted, of 1 MW.**

To do otherwise creates a disincentive to submit projects and encumbers limited development funds that can be better applied to preparing LLT-Energy projects for submission to the IESO.

2. Five (5) Legacy Hydroelectric total less than 9 MW and must submit to the LLT-Energy (please see the chart below). It is suggested that the IESO consider the following exemptions for these projects that have been in development for up to 26 years and, in some cases, have completed their EA and have sunk costs of up to \$1 million:
 - a) Allow the project below 1 MW in capacity to submit (LITTLE RAPIDS DAM).
 - b) Waive the Team Member Experience criteria for the Legacy Projects **{Form: Proponent Information, Declarations and Workbook (Energy)}** or accept experience for the Legacy Project proponents within the last 26 years to reflect the approximate timeframe these projects have been in development.
 - c) Waive the Performance Security for these projects in recognition of their Sunk Costs or revise to \$20,000 per MW submitted.
 - d) **Waive the \$11,300 Proposal Fee** for the Legacy projects in recognition that these projects were already submitted to the IESO and had their contracts cancelled by the government and have received no compensation.

Chart 1: Legacy Hydroelectric

	MNR_FILENUMBER	PROPONENT_BUSINESS_NAME	LOCATION	Capacity MW
1	DSR-07-05	2089284 Ontario Inc. (McGraw Falls Water Power)	MCGRAW FALLS DAM	1.5 - 2.6
2	DSR-09-06	2118966 Ontario- Xeneca Limited Partnership	LARDER LAKE DAM	1.2
3	WSR-2007-002	1713399 Ontario Limited- Xeneca Limited Partnership	MCCARTHY CHUTE	2.7
4	DSR-01-05	Lizard Creek Power Inc.	LIZARD CREEK	1
5	DSR-2005-004	Gravel Power Corp.	LITTLE RAPIDS DAM	<1
			Total	7.4 - 8.5
			% of LLT Intake	3%