



Beacon microFIT Supplier

Digital User Guide
Verification Tasks



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Getting Started

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What is Beacon?

Beacon is a new tool that the IESO introduced in 2019 that enables you to manage all of your active microFIT Contracts online. Beacon consolidates all microFIT Contract information into one place and integrates the Contract management functions of the microFIT program, creating a single comprehensive and secure system that allows for accurate and efficient data management.

Beacon is used to view information, manage contractual obligations, and send and receive notifications for existing microFIT Contracts.

microFIT Program Roles

Beacon allows for the following microFIT Program Roles for the purpose of managing the microFIT contract as described below.

Beacon Program Roles

Role	Description
Supplier Approver	The Supplier Approver is the microFIT Contract counterparty or an individual who has the authority to act on the behalf of the Supplier (i.e. a director or executive of a corporation, estate trustee, etc.). References to "you" and "your" throughout this user guide are references to a Supplier Approver.

Only the Supplier Approver can submit or review requests to the IESO and are responsible for the management of the microFIT Contract.

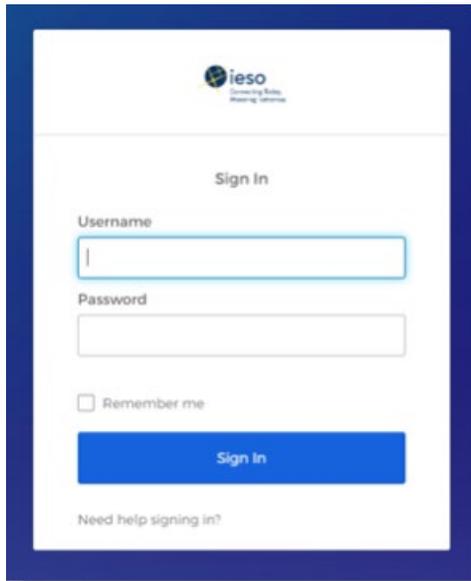
Role	Description
Supplier Agent	<p>The Supplier Agent is an optional role assigned by the Supplier Approver in relation to a microFIT Contract. When assigned to a microFIT Contract, a Supplier Agent can view the microFIT Contract and related information and prepare certain types of requests for review and approval by a Supplier Approver.</p> <p>A Supplier Agent's actions must be reviewed and approved by a Supplier Approver before being submitted to the IESO.</p>
IESO	<p>The IESO is represented by the Contract Management team that reviews, approves and/or rejects requests submitted by the Supplier Approver to the IESO. The IESO can also initiate certain requests that are to be reviewed by the Supplier Approver.</p>

Sign in to Beacon

To begin managing your microFIT Contracts, sign in to Beacon. You can sign in to Beacon on your computer, mobile, or tablet device.

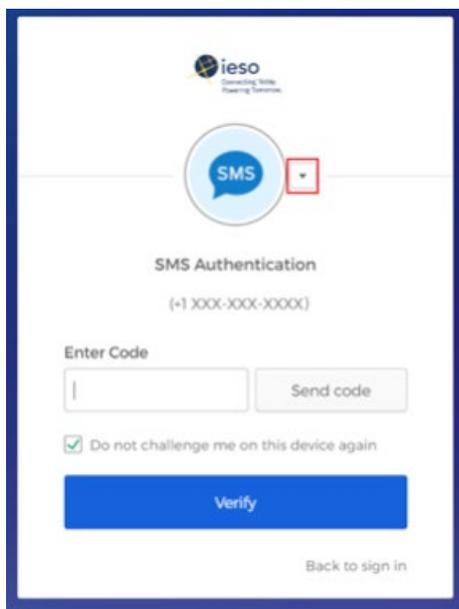
Procedure

1. Navigate to [IESO Gateway - Sign In](#)
2. Enter your username (email address) and password.



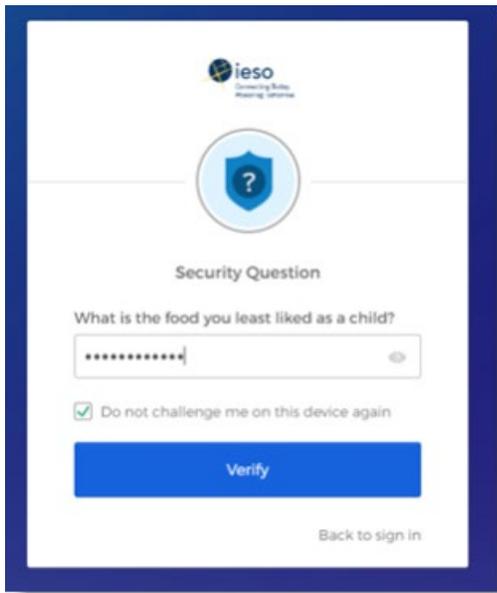
The screenshot shows the IESO Sign In page. At the top is the IESO logo with the tagline "Powering Ontario, Planning Tomorrow". Below the logo is the heading "Sign In". There are two input fields: "Username" and "Password". Below the password field is a checkbox labeled "Remember me". A blue "Sign In" button is positioned below the checkbox. At the bottom left, there is a link that says "Need help signing in?".

3. If you have set up multiple factors, you can choose which factor you will verify to login. Switch between factors by selecting the drop-down menu arrow next to the authentication icon. Please be aware that you are only required to verify one factor to login.

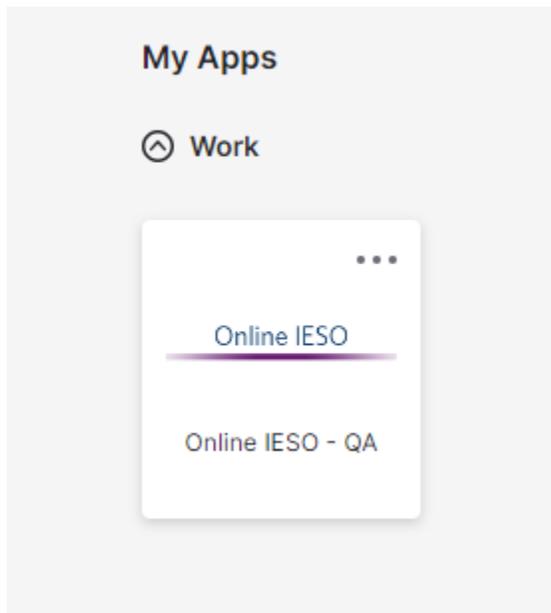


The screenshot shows the IESO SMS Authentication page. At the top is the IESO logo. Below the logo is a large circular icon with "SMS" inside, and a red square with a white downward arrow next to it. Below this is the heading "SMS Authentication" and a phone number placeholder "(+1 XXX-XXX-XXXX)". There is an "Enter Code" input field and a "Send code" button. Below the input field is a checked checkbox labeled "Do not challenge me on this device again". A blue "Verify" button is at the bottom. At the bottom right, there is a link that says "Back to sign in".

- Once you have selected your factor, you will be prompted to provide the answer to your Security Question or your SMS/Voice Call Code. Type in the answer or code and click "Verify". **Please be aware that the answer is case sensitive.**



- On your My Apps Dashboard, select the tile that says "Online IESO".



6. Next you will be brought to the Available Programs Dashboard. Select the **FIT-microFIT Program** tile to enter Beacon.

Welcome to the IESO Programs dashboard. Please select the program you wish to participate in below to proceed to the appropriate site.

FIT-microFIT Program



[Click here to enter Beacon](#)

The Feed-In Tariff (FIT) Program was developed to encourage and promote greater use of renewable energy sources. The microFIT Program supports the development of small or "micro" renewable electricity generation projects (10 kilowatts (kW) or less in size) such as solar panel installations.

Industrial Energy Efficiency Program



Register for Industrial Energy Efficiency Program

The Save on Energy Industrial Energy Efficiency Program (IEEP) is a new program for large industrial consumers in Ontario. It provides financial incentives to implement projects that deliver electricity savings through upgrading of industrial processes. The IEEP is intended to support large, complex, customer-driven solutions that result in verifiable electricity system benefits from implementing proven, commercially available technologies.

Retrofit



Register for Retrofit

The Retrofit program is designed to provide a variety of options for businesses, so you can find the right fit for your operations, regardless of your industry.

Managing Verification Tasks

Completing a Person Verification Task

When accessing Beacon for the first time, you will be asked to verify your personal contact information contained on the Person record. This will be initiated through a Person Verification task that will appear on your **MY TASKS** page. The purpose of this task is to verify that the information that the IESO has on record is correct and, if there has been a change to your personal contact information, allow you to submit any changes for IESO review. The following instructions will guide you through how to complete this Person Verification task in Beacon.

Procedure

1. Select the **My Tasks** tab.



2. Select **Complete Person Verification** for the Request that you want to work on.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress				
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task
P1965	Verify Information	Submitted	IESO	Complete Person Verification

3. Once the task is selected, you will be forwarded to the Enter Changes page. If your contact information has changed then update your contact information, and then select **Next**.
4. **Optional:** On the Upload Supporting Documents page, select the **+UPLOAD NEW DOCUMENT** icon. Attach a document, choose a document type, enter a description, and then select the ADD DOCUMENT icon.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Supporting Documents [Empty - 1 Pending]". It includes a "Select Document to Upload" section with an "UPLOAD" button and a "Drop file here" instruction. Below this, it states "File size limit upto: 30 MB". There is a "Document Type" dropdown menu with "Please Select" as the current option. A "Description" text area is present, with a character count below it: "0 out of 200 characters entered: 200 remaining." At the bottom, there are "CANCEL" and "ADD DOCUMENT" buttons.

Note: If there have been any material changes to your personal contact information (e.g. a name change), you might be required to submit certain documentation as evidence of the change.

5. Once you've uploaded your documents (if applicable) select next and you will be forwarded to the **Review** Page. On the Review page, look over all your changes and ensure the information is accurate before submitting.
6. **Optional:** You can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to a submitted change in the **Submission Comment** field.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Submission Comment" with a large text area for entering a comment. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "< BACK" and "SUBMIT CHANGES".

7. Select **Submit Changes**. If you did not make any changes, select **Verify No Changes**.

8. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**. Once the Request is submitted, a confirmation page is displayed.



Submit Changes?

NO YES

Completing a Supplier Verification Task

After your Person Verification task has been submitted and approved by the IESO, you will be asked to verify the information related to your Supplier(s). This will be initiated through a Supplier Verification task that will appear on your **MY TASKS** page. The purpose of this task is to verify that the information that IESO has on record for your Supplier(s) is correct and, if there has been a change to your Supplier(s) information, allow you to submit any changes for IESO review. The following instructions will guide you through how to complete this Supplier Verification task in Beacon.

Procedure

1. Select the **My Tasks** tab.



2. Select **Complete Supplier Verification** for the Request that you want to work on. This brings you to the **Enter Changes** page.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress				
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task
53047	Verify Information	Submitted	IESO	Complete Supplier Verification

3. To begin working on the task, select the **ACCEPT** icon.



4. If your Supplier information has changed, you may be able to update your Supplier information directly on the Request. However, if the Supplier information fields are greyed out, you will NOT be able to make any changes.

5. **Optional:** You can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to a submitted change in the Submission Comment field.

Verify Information

Legal Entity Type *

Joint Venture - No Legal Personality

Non-Resident of Canada? *

Yes No

Are you a GST/HST Registrant? *

Yes No

Submission Comment

0 out of 4000 characters entered: 4000 remaining.

NEXT >

6. Select **Next** and you will be forwarded to the **Review** Page. On the Review page, look over all your changes and ensure the information is accurate before submitting.
7. Select **Submit Changes**. If you did not make any changes, select **Verify No Changes**.
8. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**. Once the Request is submitted, a confirmation page is displayed.

Submit Changes?

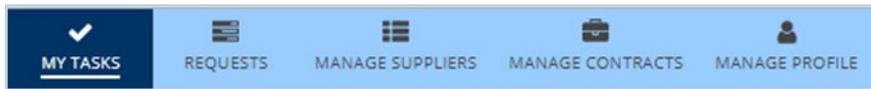
NO YES

Completing a Contract Verification Task

After your Supplier Verification task has been submitted and approved by the IESO, you will be asked to verify the information related to your Contract(s). This will be initiated through a Contract Verification task that will appear on your **My Tasks** page. The purpose of this task is to verify that the information that IESO has on record for your Contract(s) is correct and, if there has been a change to your Contract(s) information, allow you to submit any changes for IESO review. The following instructions will guide you through how to complete this Contract Verification task in Beacon.

Procedure

1. Select the **My Tasks** tab.



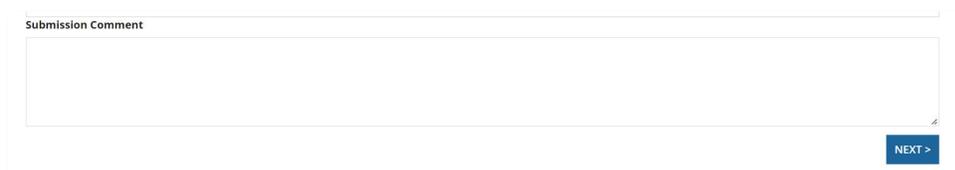
2. Select **Complete Contract Verification** for the Request that you want to work on. This brings you to the **Enter Changes** page.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress				
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task
C4260	Verify Information	Submitted	IESO	Complete Contract Verification

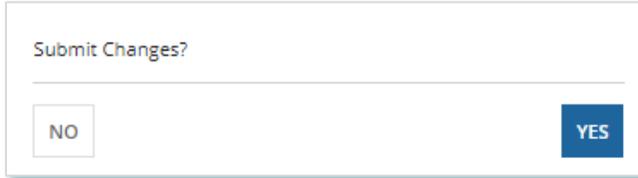
3. To begin working on the task, select the **ACCEPT** icon.



4. If your Contract information has changed, you may be able to update your Contract Information directly on the Request. However, if the Contract information fields are greyed out, you will NOT be able to make any changes.
5. **Optional:** You can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to a submitted change in the Submission Comment field.

A form with a text area labeled 'Submission Comment' and a 'NEXT >' button at the bottom right.

6. Select **NEXT** and you will be forwarded to the **Review** Page. On the Review page, look over all your changes and ensure the information is accurate before submitting.
7. Select **Submit Changes**. If you did not make any changes, select **Verify No Changes**.
8. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**. Once the Request is submitted, a confirmation page is displayed.



Submit Changes?

NO YES

Verification Request Tasks

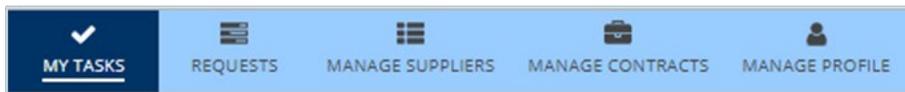
Reviewing Requests Submitted by a Supplier Approver

If you are a Supplier Approver for a Supplier, you may receive a Supplier Approver Review Request task to review any Requests submitted by other Supplier Approvers of those Suppliers.

If you are assigned a task, you will receive an email notification. You can view active tasks assigned to you on the **MY TASKS** tab.

Procedure

1. Select the **MY TASKS** tab.



2. Select the Active Task for the Request that you want to review. This brings you to the **Review** page.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress					
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task	Status
S3174	Change to Supplier Resident Status	[DRAFT]	Supplier	Supplier Approver Review Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. To begin working on the task, select **ACCEPT**.



4. Review the values entered and the documents in the Request.

5. **Optional:** On the Upload Supporting Documents page, select the **+UPLOAD NEW DOCUMENT** icon. Attach a document, choose a document type, enter a description, and then select the ADD DOCUMENT icon.

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Supporting Documents [Empty - 1 Pending]". It contains a "Select Document to Upload" section with an "UPLOAD" button and a "Drop file here" area. Below this is a "File size limit upto: 30 MB" note. The "Document Type" is selected via a dropdown menu showing "Please Select". A "Description" text area is present with a character count of "0 out of 200 characters entered: 200 remaining." At the bottom are "CANCEL" and "ADD DOCUMENT" buttons.

6. Once you've uploaded your documents (if applicable) select next and you will be forwarded to the Review Page. Under Decision, choose either Approve, Return for Edit, or Decline.
 - a. If you select Approve, you can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to the review task, and then select **APPROVE**.
 - b. If you select Return for Edit, you can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to what needs clarification, and then select **RETURN FOR EDIT**.
 - c. If you select Decline, you can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context for why you declined the Request, and then select **DECLINE**.
7. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**. Depending on your decision, the Request may be under

The screenshot shows a "Decision" dialog box. It has an "Action" section with three radio buttons: "Approve" (selected), "Return For Edit", and "Decline". Below is a "Review Comment" text area with a character count of "0 out of 4000 characters entered: 4000 remaining." An "APPROVE" button is located at the bottom right.

IESO review, returned to the Request initiator for edits, or the Request may be closed, respectively.

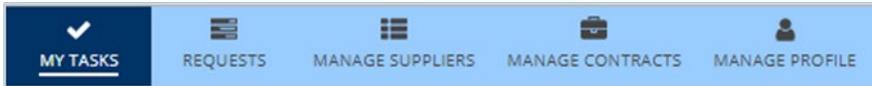
Providing Clarification for Returned Requests

The IESO or a Supplier Approver may return a Request that you submitted back to you for further review.

If you are assigned a task, you will receive an email notification. You can view active tasks assigned to you on the **MY TASKS** tab.

Procedure

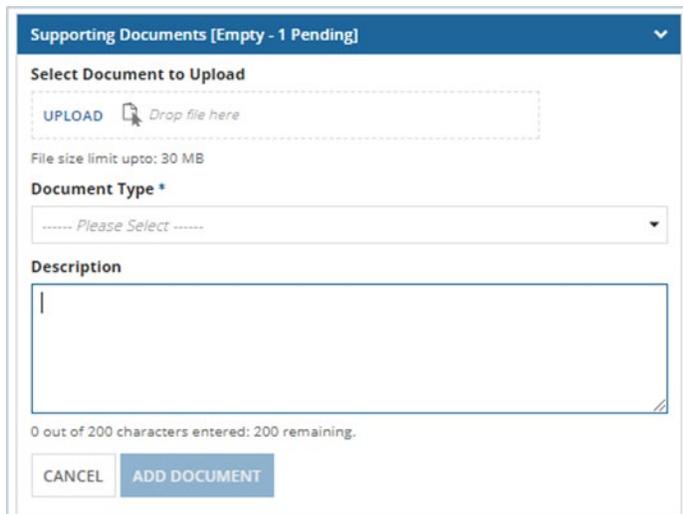
1. Select the **MY TASKS** tab.



2. Select the Active Task for the Request you want to work on. On each page, make changes to the fields that require updates.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress					
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task	Status
S3170	Change to Supplier Legal Name	IESO Review	Supplier	Review Returned Change Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. On the Supporting Documents page, review any documents added by other users.
4. **Optional:** On the Upload Supporting Documents page, select the **+UPLOAD NEW DOCUMENT** icon. Attach a document, choose a document type, enter a description, and then select the ADD DOCUMENT icon.

A screenshot of a web form titled 'Supporting Documents [Empty - 1 Pending]'. The form has a blue header bar. Below the header, there is a section 'Select Document to Upload' with a dashed box containing 'UPLOAD' and 'Drop file here'. Below this is a note 'File size limit upto: 30 MB'. Then, there is a 'Document Type *' dropdown menu with the text '----- Please Select -----'. Below that is a 'Description' text area. At the bottom, there is a character count '0 out of 200 characters entered: 200 remaining.' and two buttons: 'CANCEL' and 'ADD DOCUMENT'.

Note: When you respond to a Request to provide clarification, you might be required to submit certain documentation as requested by the IESO. This will be specified in the task details.

5. Review the changes summarized on the Review page.
6. Under Decision, choose either Request Updated or Cancel.
 - a. If you select Request Updated, you can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context on what was clarified, and then select **Request Updated**.
 - b. If you select Cancel, you can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context for why you cancelled the Request, and then select **Cancel**.

Decision

Decision *

Request Updated

Cancel

Request Updated Comment

0 out of 4000 characters entered: 4000 remaining.

BACK REQUEST UPDATED

7. A dialog box is opened, select Yes.

Providing Acknowledgement of a Request Outcome

If the IESO approves or declines your Request, you may receive a Provide Acknowledgement task where you must acknowledge the IESO's decision.

If you are assigned a task, you will receive an email notification. You can view active tasks assigned to you under My Tasks.

Procedure

1. Select the **MY TASKS** tab.



2. Select the Provide Acknowledgement task. This brings you to the **Pending Acknowledgement** page.

Active Request Tasks In-Progress					
Request ID	Request Type	Status	Source	Active Task	Status
S3370	Change to Supplier HST-GST Status/Number	Pending Acknowledgement	Supplier	Provide Acknowledgement	

3. Review the information and any documents added by other users.

Request S3370 Declined - Please Acknowledge

Submitted IESO Review Pending Acknowledgement Closed

 Close Request - Closed

Time	Performed By	Role	Reason
Aug 14, 2019 01:56 PM EST	SYSTEM - AUTO	IESO	

Comment
< No Comment >

Request - Change to Supplier HST-GST Status/Number

Notification to Supplier [Change to Supplier HST-GST Status/Number]

 Dear John Smith,

The Change to Supplier HST-GST Status/Number (Request ID #S3370) submitted for the subject microFIT Contract has been Declined by the IESO.

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If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the IESO Contract Management Team via your microFIT Supplier Account or email as required.

Regards,

4. **Optional:** To upload supporting documents, select **+UPLOAD NEW DOCUMENT**. Attach a document, choose a document type, enter a description, and then select ADD DOCUMENT.

5. **Optional:** You can enter an explanatory note or comment to provide additional context to the Request for acknowledgement in the comment field provided.

Provide feedback or comments below as necessary (If issues, please document below and submit a separate request):

0 out of 4000 characters entered: 4000 remaining.

6. Select ACKNOWLEDGED.
7. A dialog box is opened, select Yes.

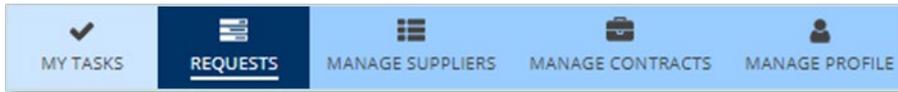
Acknowledge?

Viewing Request Notifications

When a decision has been made by the IESO for a Request, you may receive a notification message and/or document that can be found in your Request records.

Procedure

1. Select the **REQUESTS** tab.



2. Select the Request Search section, change Status to **CLOSED**.

Status CLOSED	Supplier ID Enter partial text to search Supplier ID	Final Outcome ----- Show All -----
Request ID S3251	Contract ID Enter partial text to search Contract ID	Final Outcome Decision Date From mm/dd/yyyy
Request Category ----- Show All -----	Prepared By ----- Show All -----	Final Outcome Decision Date Thru mm/dd/yyyy
Request Type ----- Show All -----	Source ----- Show All -----	
Requested From mm/dd/yyyy	Requested Thru mm/dd/yyyy	

1 Requests Found

		Request ID	Request Type	Requested	Requested By	Prepared By	Supplier ID	Final Outcome Decision Date	Final Outcome Decision By
CLOSED	×	S3251	Change to Supplier Resident Status	Jul 25, 2019 10:33 AM EST	John Smith	John Smith	221524	Jul 25, 2019 10:35 AM EST	IESO

3. **Optional:** Use the other filters to search for the Request record you want to view.
4. Select the Request ID to view the Request Record.

1 Requests Found

		Request ID	Request Type	Requested
CLOSED	×	S3251	Change to Supplier Resident Status	Jul 25, 2019 10:33 AM EST

5. To see notification messages from IESO, select the Message to Supplier tab.

Summary **Message To Supplier** Attachments Related Actions

Notification to Supplier [Change to Supplier Resident Status]

Dear John Smith,

The Change to Supplier Resident Status (Request ID #53251) submitted for the subject microFIT Contract has been Declined by the IESO.

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If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the IESO Contract Management Team via your microFIT Supplier Account or email as required.

Regards,

microFIT.contract@ieso.ca

IESO Contract Management Team

- To download and see notification documents sent from the IESO, select the **Attachments** tab.

Summary Message To Supplier **Attachments** Related Actions

Select any documents below and click on 'DOWNLOAD DOCUMENTS' to access them

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Document Name	IESO Updated Document Name	Document Description	Document Type	Submitted By
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SUPPLIER NOTIFICATION [123 Hospital [microFIT-221524]]			Supplier Notification Document	IESO

Documents selected - [1]

[DOWNLOAD DOCUMENT](#) [CLEAR SELECTION](#)

- Check the box for the notification document, and then select **DOWNLOAD DOCUMENT**.
- A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**.

A Task will be created to Download document. Refresh the page to view the task link below

- Refresh your page.
- Select Download Documents.

Download Documents	
Note: Click on any available links below to view document task	
Task Name	Created On
Download Documents	7/25/2019 10:49 AM EST

11. Select a document name to begin downloading it.

Download Documents

This task will be available for 24 hours . Please make sure to download the documents before that.

Document Name

CM -microFIT - 221524 - Change to Supplier - Supplier
Notificati- IESO Deploy - 20190725103623 - SUPPLIER
NOTIFICATI-221524

DONE

Note: These documents will be available for download for 24 hours.

12. Select **DONE**.

13. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**.

The task will be cleared and you will have to generate a new request to download these documents. Are you sure you want to close it?

NO **YES**

Downloading and Saving Documents

For your records, you can download and save documents related to your Suppliers, your Contracts, your profile account and/or any related Requests submitted.

Procedure

1. Select the tab that contains the Record you want to view.
 - a. To download a Supplier document, select the **Manage Suppliers** tab.
 - b. To download a Contract document, select the **Manage Contracts** tab.
 - c. To download a Person document, select the **Manage Profile** tab.
2. Select the ID for the Record that you want to view.

	Supplier ID
	531340

3. Select the **Documents** tab.

Summary	Requests	Contracts	Notes	Documents	Contacts	Related Actions
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4. **Optional:** Use the filters to find a document that you want to download.

Summary	Requests	Contracts	Notes	Documents	Contacts	Related Actions
Request ID	<input type="text" value="Enter partial text to search for Request Id"/>	Document Type	<input type="text" value="----- Please Select -----"/>			
Document Name	<input type="text" value="Enter partial text to search for Document Name"/>	Document Description	<input type="text" value="Enter partial text to search for description"/>			
IESO Document Name	<input type="text" value="Enter partial text to search for IESO Document Name"/>					
<input type="button" value="CLEAR FILTERS"/>						

5. Check the box(es) for the document(s) that you want to download.

Select any documents below and click on 'DOWNLOAD DOCUMENTS' to access them

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Request ID	Document Name	IESO Updated Document Name	Document Description	Document Type	Submitted By	Available On
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S3167	African_Lion	Document 2	Supporting document 2	New Supplier Registration Supporting Document	John Smith	Jul 16, 2019 09:25 AM EST
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S3167	New-attachment	Document 1	Supporting document 1 for new supplier registration	New Supplier Registration Supporting Document	John Smith	Jul 16, 2019 09:25 AM EST

Documents selected - [2]

[DOWNLOAD DOCUMENT](#) [CLEAR SELECTION](#)

6. Select **DOWNLOAD DOCUMENT**.
7. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**.

A Task will be created to Download document. Refresh the page to view the task link below

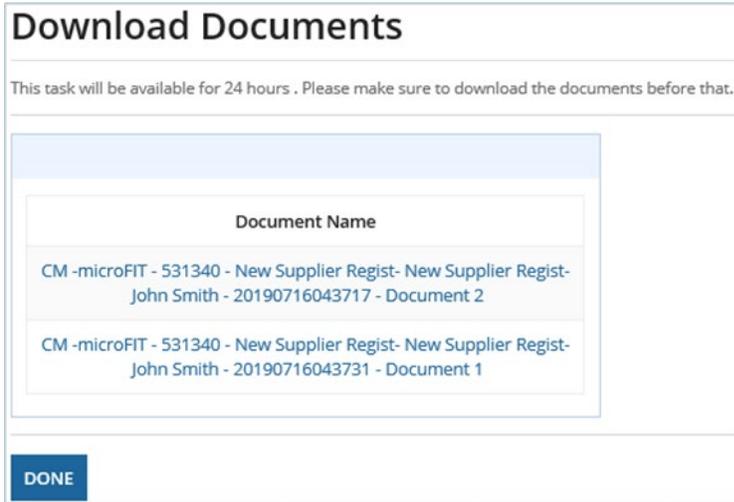
8. Refresh your page.
9. Select **Download Documents**.

Download Documents

Note: Click on any available links below to view document task

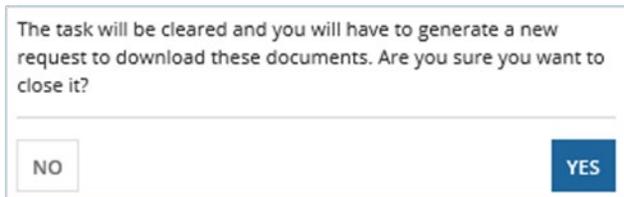
Task Name	Created On
Download Documents	7/4/2019 2:23 PM EST

10. To begin saving documents, select the document name for the document(s) that you want to download.



Note: These documents will be available for download for 24 hours.

11. Select **DONE**.
12. A dialog box is opened, select **Yes**.



Additional Resources

Additional resources can be found at the following links:

microFIT Homepage: [microFIT Overview \(ieso.ca\)](https://www.ieso.ca/microFIT)

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