

EB-2007-0707
Integrated Power System Plan
CAE (Clean, Affordable Energy) Alliance Response to
Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (“CME”) Interrogatories

- 1. Having regard to the evidence filed on your behalf in these proceedings, please summarize the relief you are asking the Board to grant.*
- 2. In particular, please indicate as follows:*
 - (a) Whether you are asking the Board to refrain from approving the IPSP in whole or in part. If so, and in the event that the Board grants the relief you request, then please indicate the next steps you envision.*
 - (b) Whether you are proposing that the Board approve the IPSP subject to conditions and/or directions which must be satisfied before the Board’s approval becomes effective. If so, then please summarize the particular conditions and/or directions you seek and describe the process you suggest for monitoring the OPA’s compliance with these suggested conditions and/or directions. Include therein a description of the process that you suggest should apply if the OPA fails to comply with the conditions and/or directions you seek.*
 - (c) Whether you are proposing that the IPSP be approved with directions to the OPA to be addressed in the next version of the IPSP. If so, then please summarize the directions which you seek from the Board.*

The CAE Alliance is asking the Board to refrain from approving the IPSP in its present form. We are not suggesting a radical departure from what is provided in the IPSP. We support CDM measures, the inclusion of renewable generation and nuclear for baseload. We are concerned however that there are too many uncertainties and contingencies which will impact system reliability. There is an over reliance on natural gas-fired generation which will prove too costly and risky. We are requesting a more common-sense and practical approach which would allow for the coal-fired generating assets to remain operable, with best available emissions reduction technology installed, and co-firing with biomass. Retaining this flexible, reliable and affordable resource would ensure system security and electricity affordability while the Plan unfolds and resource acquisition is secured.

We also believe that some CDM measures are too costly, and that opportunities for some renewable generation have been overlooked.

Please refer to our Response to the Board Interrogatories for a fuller explanation of our reasons and rationale.