



Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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April 29, 2016

*Sent via RESS and Courier*

Dear Ms. Walli:

**RE: EB-2016-0058- Brantford Power Inc.  
Delay in Filing- Application to the Ontario Energy Board for Electricity Distribution Rates and Charges effective January 1, 2017.**

On December 29, 2015 the Ontario Energy Board (“the OEB”) issued a letter identifying a preliminary list of electricity distributors scheduled to file a cost of service application in respect of their 2017 and 2018 rates. Brantford Power Inc. (BPI) was included on this list as one of the Electricity Distributors scheduled to apply for rebasing for 2017 rates. In that letter, the Board set the deadline for distributors intending to file for rates effective January 1, 2017 as April 29, 2016.

BPI has completed its Application for Electricity Distribution Rates effective January 1, 2017 (“the Application”). BPI takes very seriously the importance of adhering to the Board’s filing requirements and deadlines and therefore developed and implemented the necessary plans and measures to meet this important obligation. As a result, BPI was prepared to file its complete Application today in keeping with the prescribed deadline of April 29, 2016.

Regrettably, as BPI was nearing the completion of its final internal quality assurance review, an issue was discovered within the calculation of the proposed load forecast. Although the modification necessary to address this issue is relatively simple and will not significantly impact the direction or key requests incorporated within BPI’s Application, the impacts of the load forecast are pervasive throughout the written evidence to be used in this Application.

Given the importance of adhering to the timetable established by the OEB, BPI intended to file its Application today and update the record with amended information next week. BPI consulted with OEB staff to determine how this might impact the OEB internal processes. OEB staff indicated the filing of the Application with subsequent extensive information updates would complicate the administrative processes the OEB has established for processing these applications.



After considering these complications to OEB internal processes, BPI determined that a more appropriate approach would be for BPI to inform the OEB of its particular circumstances today and delay submitting the Application for a few days until the necessary adjustments have been made and the consequential changes to the Application are updated and verified. This will result in a single complete Application being placed on the record and avoid possible confusion to stakeholders, including the general public, that may be caused by having two series of documents being placed on the record.

BPI believes this represents a prudent course of action and is therefore proactively notifying the Board that its Application will be delayed. BPI anticipates that it will be in a position to file its completed Application on or before Friday, May 6, 2016. BPI would be pleased to amend its plans should the OEB find this approach not to be acceptable.

Sincerely,

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