



EB-2008-0238

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Northern
Ontario Wires Inc. for an order approving just and
reasonable rates and other charges for electricity
distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

INTERIM RATE ORDER

Northern Ontario Wires Inc. ("NOW") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, received on August 20, 2008, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, (the "Act"), seeking approval for changes to the rates that NOW charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board assigned the NOW application File Number EB-2008-0238.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing for the application on September 17, 2008, Procedural Order No. 1 on October 27, 2008 and Procedural Order No. 2 on January 9, 2009.

In light of the time constraints in this proceeding, the Board will not be able to conclude its review of the application in order to set rates to be implemented May 1, 2009. Pending the issuance of final rates for 2009, the Board declares NOW's current rates for its service area interim, effective May 1, 2009.

In declaring NOW's rates interim, the Board emphasizes that this interim rate order should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the final determination of these applications with regards to the effective date.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The currently approved rates for NOW's service area are declared interim as of May 1, 2009 and until such time as a final rate order is issued by the Board.

DATED at Toronto, April 14, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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Board Secretary