



EB-2008-0249

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 West Perth
Power Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and
reasonable distribution rates and other charges, effective
May 1, 2009.

BEFORE: Paul Vlahos
Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle
Member

INTERIM RATE ORDER

West Perth Power Inc. ("West Perth" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, received on April 1, 2009 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that West Perth charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board has assigned the application File Number EB-2008-0249.

On April 9, 2009, the Board responded to West Perth indicating that its application was incomplete. On May 1, 2009, West Perth responded with a proposal to proceed with the review of its application in two phases; namely, a review of the 2009 revenue requirement followed by a review of cost allocation and rate design components. The Board has accepted this approach and has issued its Letter of Direction and Notice of Application concurrent with the issuance of this order.

As the processing of West Perth's application is not yet concluded, and pending the issuance of final rates for 2009, the Board declares the current rates interim effective May 1, 2009.

In declaring West Perth's rates interim, the Board emphasizes that this interim order should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the final determination of this Application.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The currently approved rates of West Perth Power Inc. 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, May 14, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary