



EB-2007-0723

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING
PUC Distribution Inc.**

Application to Amend 2007 Distribution Rates

PUC Distribution Inc. ("PUC") has filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on August 16, 2007 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B). The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2007-0723. This Notice contains important information about participation in the proceeding associated with the applicant's rate change application.

In its application, PUC has proposed to increase its distribution rates to recover expected expenses for Payments in Lieu of Taxes ("PILs"). PUC has estimated that the additional PILs expense in 2007 will be \$1,430,808. If approved, a typical residential customer consuming 1,000 kWh per month would experience an increase of approximately 3.6% in the electricity bill. A small general service customer having a monthly demand of 50 kW or lower and consuming 5000 kWh per month would experience an increase of approximately 3.8%.

How to see PUC Distribution Inc.'s Pre-filed Evidence

Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Board's offices in Toronto and on its website, and at the PUC Distribution Inc. offices and on its website, if available.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

You may send the Board a letter of comment. Your letter should include any request to make an oral presentation to the Board, and must be received by the Board no later than 30 days from the publication date of this Notice.

You may request observer status in order to receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter received by the Board no later than 10 days from the publication date of this Notice.

You may request intervenor status if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter of intervention received no later than 10 days from the publication date of this Notice. Your letter of intervention must include a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. The Board may choose to hold either a written or an oral hearing. Your letter of intervention should indicate your preference for a written or oral hearing, and the reasons for that preference. The Board may order costs in this proceeding. You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs from the applicant and the grounds for your eligibility for costs. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the applicant.

How to Make Filings to the Board

All correspondence with the Board on this matter must reference File No. EB-2007-0723. It is important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available your e-mail address and a fax number. All communications must be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and must be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

The Board accepts letters of comment and requests for observer status by either regular post or by e-mail. Please include the file reference number in the subject line of your e-mail. Letter of intervention must be sent to the Board by regular mail.

Need More Information?

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's Web site at www.oeb.gov.on.ca or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

IMPORTANT

RATE PROCEEDING: IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

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