Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2008-0272

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF a review of an application filed by Hydro One Networks Inc. under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 6

On September 30, 2008, Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 78 of *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act"). The application sought approval for changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates that Hydro One charges for electricity transmission to be effective and implemented on July 1, 2009. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2008-0272.

The Board issued its Decision with Reasons on May 28, 2008. In its decision the Board did not approve four of the Network Capital Projects (labeled in the application as D7, D8, D9 and D10). However, the Board indicated that it would consider further evidence from Hydro One on these projects. The decision states:

The Board will keep this part of the proceeding open and will provide Hydro One with the opportunity to provide additional evidence on these projects for purposes of setting 2010 rates. Hydro One should file this evidence no later than November 30, 2009. The Board will ensure a streamlined process to consider any new evidence on these projects. If necessary, the Board will declare the 2010 rates interim at the appropriate time in order that the rate impacts of these projects can be included in the event the Board approves the projects.

On September 4, 2009 Hydro One filed supplementary evidence with the Board, and copied all intervenors in the proceeding, in regard to projects D7 and D8 which have planned in-service dates in 2010. Approval of these projects would increase the previously approved capital program by \$82.7 million to \$936.5 million in 2009 and by \$62.0 million to a total of \$1,057.6 million in 2010. The resulting impact on the 2010 Revenue Requirement is estimated to be \$7.1 million.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Intervenors and Board staff wishing further information from the Applicant shall request the same by written interrogatories filed with the Board and delivered to the Intervenors and the Applicant on or before **Monday September 28, 2009**;
- 2. The Applicant shall file with the Board complete responses to the Interrogatories and deliver them to the Intervenors no later than **Wednesday October 7, 2009**.
- 3. Intervenors and Board staff shall, on or before **Tuesday**, **October 13**, **2009**, indicate, for this part of the hearing:
 - a. if it is their intention to file evidence, and
 - b. any preference for a written or oral hearing and the reasons for this preference.
- All interrogatories and responses must include a reference to the section of the main or supplementary application which identifies the specific evidence on which the interrogatory is based;

All filings to the Board noted in this Procedural Order must be in the form of 2 hard copies and **must be received by the Board by 4:45 p.m.** on the stated dates. An electronic copy of the filing must also be provided. If you already have a user ID, the electronic copy of your filing should be submitted through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca. If you do not have a user ID, please visit the "e-Filing Services" page on the Board's website at www.oeb.gov.on.ca and fill out a user ID password request. For instructions on how to submit and naming conventions, please

refer to the RESS Document Guidelines also found on the "e-Filing Services" webpage. If the Board's web portal is not available, the electronic copy of your filing may be submitted by e-mail at <u>Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca</u>. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit the electronic copy of their filing on a CD or diskette in PDF format.

ISSUED at Toronto, September 18, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary