

EB-2009-0255

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE

#### West Perth Power Inc.

The Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") received an application on September 29, 2009, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that West Perth Power Inc. ("West Perth") charges for electricity distribution, to be effective November 1, 2009. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2009-0255. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on all of West Perth's customers. The application was filed under the Board's guidelines for 2nd Generation Incentive Regulation, which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to rates between cost of service applications.

Any change to the rates that West Perth charges for electricity distribution will be reflected in the delivery charges. Delivery charges are one of four regular items on residential and general service customers' electricity bills and vary depending on the amount of electricity consumed.

West Perth indicates that if the application is approved as filed, a residential customer consuming 800 kWh per month would experience an approximate 2.9% increase in delivery charges. This is a \$0.96 per month increase on their total bill. A small general service customer consuming 2,000 kWh per month and having a monthly demand of 50 kW or lower would experience an approximate 1.6% increase in delivery charges. This is a \$1.09 per month increase on their total bill.

#### **How to see West Perth's Application**

Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Board's office in Toronto and on its website, www.oeb.gov.on.ca, and at West Perth's office and may be on its website.

#### **How to Participate in the Rate Proceeding**

You may ask to become an intervenor if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Intervenors are eligible to receive evidence and other material submitted by participants in the hearing. Likewise, intervenors will be expected to send copies of any material they file to all parties to the hearing.

Your request for intervenor status must be made by letter of intervention and be received by the Board no later than **October 19, 2009**. Your letter of intervention must include a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the outcome of this proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to West Perth.

The Board intends to proceed with this application by way of a written hearing. The Board does not anticipate to be awarding costs in this matter.

Anyone who wishes to make a submission on the application must file that written submission with the Board and deliver it to West Perth by **October 21, 2009**. If West Perth wishes to respond to the submission(s), the written response must be filed with the Board and delivered to all parties by **October 23, 2009**.

#### **How to File Documents with the Board**

If you already have a user ID, please submit your interrogatories or submission through the Board's web portal at <a href="www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca</a>. Additionally, two paper copies are required. If you do not have a user ID, please visit the Board's website under e-filings and fill out a user ID password request. For instructions on how to file and naming conventions, please refer to the RESS Document Guidelines found at <a href="www.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.oeb.gov.on.ca</a>, e-Filing Services. Those who do not have internet access are asked to submit their interrogatories or submission on a CD or diskette in PDF format,

along with two paper copies. You may also send your submission by post or e-mail to the addresses below.

In responding to this Notice, please include Board file number EB-2009-0255 in the subject line of your e-mail or at the top of your document. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

#### **Need More Information?**

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

#### **IMPORTANT**

IF YOU DO NOT FILE AN OBJECTION TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCEEDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

#### Addresses

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## **DATED** at Toronto, October 15, 2009

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

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