

EB-2009-0408

**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 Great Lakes Power Transmission Inc. on behalf of Great Lakes Power Transmission LP seeking changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates for 2010.

#### PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

Great Lakes Power Transmission Inc. on behalf of Great Lakes Power Transmission LP ("GLPT" or the "Applicant") has filed an Application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 30, 2009 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, 1998 S.O. c.15, (Schedule B). GLPT is seeking approval for changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates ("UTR") that GLPT (and other transmitters) charge for electricity transmission, to be effective January 1, 2010. The Board has assigned Board file number EB-2009-0408 to the Rate Application.

GLPT has also filed an application with the Board on November 27, 2009 requesting that a deferral account be granted for the purposes of recording capital expenditures as well as operation, maintenance and administration expenses related to renewable generation connection, system planning, and infrastructure investment arising from the *Green Energy and Green Economy Act*, 2009 (the "Deferral Account Application"). The Board has assigned Board file number EB-2009-0409 to the Deferral Account Application.

Following issuance of the Notice of Applications and Combined Hearing dated December 31, 2009, six interventions were granted: Canadian Niagara Power Inc. ("CNPI"); Independent Electricity System Operators ("IESO"); Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"); Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"); Schools Energy Coalition ("SEC"); and Hydro One Networks Inc. VECC, Energy Probe, and SEC also requested eligibility to seek an award of costs for participation in this proceeding; the requests were granted.

On January 29, 2010 the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1 and Interim Rate Decision. In regard to the Rate Application, the Order included a schedule for procedural steps with deadlines (the "Procedural Schedule").

### **GLPT's Request for Confidential Treatment of Information**

On March 3, 2010, in accordance with the Procedural Schedule, the Applicant filed responses to interrogatories filed by intervenors and Board staff, and requested that the following information and documents be treated as confidential:

- All appendices referred to in GLPT's responses to Board staff Interrogatory #
   55 (i) (a) and (d) in respect of tax-related information pertaining to both the regulated and unregulated businesses of Great Lakes Power Limited ("GLPL").
- All of GLPT's response to Board staff interrogatory # 96 which contains charge determinant information (load information) on delivery points owned by large customers and could reveal proprietary information.

### **Board Findings**

The Board's Practice Direction, section 5, establishes a process for the Board's consideration of requests for confidential treatment of certain information and documents filed with the Board. With its letter of March 3, 2010 indicating reasons for the confidentiality request GLPL filed confidential, un-redacted versions of the documents for which confidentiality is requested. Any party to this proceeding may object to the request for confidentiality and set out reasons for the objection.

However, in order to avoid delaying this proceeding, the Board has decided to designate as confidential, on an interim basis, the information and documents referenced in GLPT's request to the Board in its letter of March 3, 2010 (the "Requested Confidential Information"). As an interim measure, counsel for intervenors who wish to have access to the Requested Confidential Information may receive it after signing the Board's Declaration and Undertaking (which can be found at Appendix D of the Practice Direction) and filing it with the Board.

The Board will receive submissions from parties regarding whether or not the Requested Confidential Information should remain designated as confidential.

In the event that the Board ultimately finds that the Requested Confidential Information is not confidential, the Declaration and Undertaking will be considered to no longer apply, and the information will be placed on the pubic record. In the event that the Board ultimately finds that the Requested Confidential Information is confidential, then the Declaration and Undertaking will continue to apply.

Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

A list of Intervenors is attached as Appendix "A" to this Order.

#### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Requested Confidential Information will be made available to any party that signs the Board's Declaration and Undertaking and files it with the Board.
- Intervenors or Board staff may make submissions on the request for confidentiality and shall file their submissions on this issue by March 19, 2010.
   Parties should have regard to the Board's Practice Direction when filing their submissions and shall copy the applicant and other intervenors.
- 3. The Applicant may file a reply to any submissions made by Board Staff or intervenors by **March 24, 2010** and shall copy the intervenors.
- 4. If you already have a user ID, please submit all filings to the Board noted in this Procedural Order 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 submit 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. The Board also accepts interventions by e-mail, at the address below, and again, two additional paper copies are required. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit their intervention request on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies.

**DATED** at Toronto on March 10, 2010

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix "A"
To
Procedural Order No. 2
March 10, 2010

(EB-2009-0408) List of Intervenors for the two Applications

Great Lakes Power Transmission LP Rate Application (2010 Test Year)- EB-2009-0408 Deferral Account Application - EB-2009-0409

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March 10, 2010

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