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



EB-2009-0140

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 Veridian Connections Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 4

Veridian Connections Inc. ("Veridian") filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 2, 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 Veridian charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010. The Board assigned the File Number EB-2009-0140 to the Application.

On March 31, 2010, the Board issued its Decision (the "Decision") on the Application. In addition to approving changes in the rates that Veridian charges for electricity distribution, the Board prescribed the dates for the preparation and review of a Draft Rate Order. The Board also prescribed the dates for filing and reviewing cost awards.

On April 7, 2010, Veridian wrote to the Board requesting, due to the unavailability of one of its key resources, an extension to the filing date for the Draft Rate Order. Two intervenors wrote supporting Veridian's request and noted that in order to provide sufficient time to review the Draft Rate Order, a similar extension would be appropriate for filing cost awards.

The Board has decided to grant the requested extensions and considers it necessary to make provision for the following procedural matters. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

With respect to the schedule for the Rate Order:

- 1. Veridian shall file with the Board, and shall also forward to the intervenors, a Draft Rate Order attaching a proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges and other filings reflecting the Board's findings in the Decision by April 21, 2010.
- 2. Intervenors shall file any comments on the Draft Rate order with the Board and forward them to Veridian by April 28, 2010.
- 3. Veridian shall file with the Board and forward to intervenors, responses to any comments on its Draft Rate Order by May 5, 2010.

With respect to the schedule for cost awards:

- 1. Intervenors found eligible for cost awards shall file with the Board, and forward to Veridian, their respective cost claims by May 3, 2010.
- 2. Veridian shall file with the Board and forward to intervenors any objections to the claimed costs by May 17, 2010.
- 3. Intervenors shall file with the Board and forward to Veridian any responses to any objections for cost claims by May 24, 2010.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2009-0140, be made through the Board's web portal at <u>www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca</u>, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>www.oeb.gov.on.ca</u>. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

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.

ADDRESS

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Board Secretary

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DATED at Toronto, April 9, 2010

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