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



EB-2009-0165

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 Ottawa River Power Corporation pursuant to section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Act, 1998*, for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

BEFORE: Marika Hare Presiding Member

> Cynthia Chaplin Vice Chair and Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON INTERIM RATES

Ottawa River Power Corporation ("Ottawa River") filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on June 30, 2010, 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 Ottawa River charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010. The Board assigned the application File No. EB-2009-0165.

In its application, Ottawa River requested that its current distribution rates be declared interim commencing May 1, 2010.

The Board notes that Ottawa River's cost of service application was not filed by the April 30, 2010 deadline, as directed by the Board in its April 20, 2010 letter. The Board also notes that Ottawa River requested in a letter dated April 26, 2010, an extension of its filing date to June 30, 2010. In view of Ottawa River's late filing, an issue in this proceeding will be the date upon which the new rates should become effective.

The Board has determined that Ottawa River's current distribution rates shall be declared interim as of August 1, 2010. The Board will render its decision on the effective date of Ottawa River's final rates in its final decision. By making rates interim as of August 1, 2010, the Board has the authority to make the final rates effective as of that date, but is not required to do so. The setting of interim rates should not be seen as predictive in any way of the ultimate implementation date of the final rate order.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Ottawa River's current Tariff of Rates and Charges shall be made interim August 1, 2010.

DATED at Toronto, July 19, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Kirsten Walli Board Secretary