

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

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 1

Ottawa River Power Corporation ("Ottawa River") filed an 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 has assigned the File Number EB-2009-0165 to this application.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on July 21, 2010. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility. No objections were received.

The Board has determined that VECC will be granted intervenor status. VECC's contact details are attached as Appendix A to this Order. The Board has also determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

At this time the Board intends to proceed with its review of this application by way of a written hearing. The Notice of Application indicated that the Board may include an oral component for certain parts of the application. That component may be in the form of a technical conference or an oral hearing or both.

The Board has decided to make provision at this time for written interrogatories. After its review of the responses, the Board will determine the next steps including whether provision should be made for additional interrogatories or a technical conference, after which the Board will determine whether to conduct an oral hearing or to make provision for written final submissions.

This Procedural Order addresses the first round of the interrogatories process. Please note that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Board staff and VECC who wish information and material from Ottawa River that is in addition to Ottawa River's pre-filed evidence with the Board, and that is relevant to the hearing, shall request it by written interrogatories filed with the Board and delivered to Ottawa River on or before **August 25, 2010**. Where possible, the questions should specifically reference the pre-filed evidence.
- 2. Ottawa River shall file with the Board complete responses to all interrogatories and deliver them to VECC no later than **September 15, 2010**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2009-0165, be made through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca, 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 www.oeb.gov.on.ca. 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 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.

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DATED August 16, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

APPENDIX A

FOR PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

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DATED: AUGUST 16, 2010

APPLICANT AND INTERVENOR LIST

Ottawa River Power Corporation EB-2009-0165

APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

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