

EB-2010-0132

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 Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2011.

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 1

Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. ("Hydro One Brampton") 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 Hydro One Brampton charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2011. The Board has assigned File Number EB-2010-0132 to this application.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on July 22, 2010. The Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"), and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility. PowerStream Inc. ("PowerStream") also applied for intervenor status, but did not seek cost awards. No objections were received.

The Board has determined that Energy Probe, SEC, VECC and PowerStream will be granted intervenor status. The list of intervenors in this proceeding is attached as Appendix A to this Order. The Board has also determined that Energy Probe, SEC, and VECC are 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 provide for an oral component. This could 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, followed by a technical conference and a settlement conference after which the Board will determine whether to conduct an oral hearing or to make provision for written final submissions.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Board staff and Intervenors who wish information and material from Hydro One Brampton that is in addition to Hydro One Brampton'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 Hydro One Brampton on or before **September 9, 2010**. Where possible, the questions should specifically reference the pre-filed evidence.
- Hydro One Brampton shall file with the Board complete responses to all interrogatories and deliver them to the intervenors no later than **September 30**, 2010.
- 3. A technical conference will be held on **October 13, 2010** at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto 25th Floor in the Board's West Hearing Room commencing at 9:30 a.m. Intervenors and Board staff should file their questions with the Board and forward them to Hydro One Brampton by **October 8, 2010**.
- 4. A Settlement Conference will be convened on **October 19, 2010** starting at 9:30a.m. and, if needed, may continue until **October 20, 2010**. The Settlement Conference will be held at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto in the Board's ADR room on the 25th Floor.

5. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board by **November 3, 2010**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2010-0132, 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/OEB/Industry. 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 at Toronto, August 26, 2010 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix "A"

To The Procedural Order No. 1

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