



EB-2010-0306

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING

### **Application by Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. for an Exemption from Mandated Time of Use Pricing for Regulated Price Plan Consumers**

#### **The Application**

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Thunder Bay Hydro") filed an application dated October 14, 2010 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B) (the "Act") for an Exemption from Mandated Time of Use ("TOU") Pricing for Regulated Price Plan ("RPP") Consumers. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2010-0306. The application will be decided by the Counsel, Special Projects, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the Act. The Counsel, Special Projects, does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

#### **Mandated Time-of-Use Pricing**

On August 4, 2010 the Ontario Energy Board issued a determination under Section 1.2.1 of the Standard Supply Service Code to mandate TOU pricing for RPP customers. The determination established mandatory TOU dates for each electricity distributor. Thunder Bay Hydro is requesting an exemption from their mandatory TOU date of June 2011. Thunder Bay Hydro is requesting a new TOU date of August 2011. The new TOU date is requested due to unforeseen delays as a result of technical testing and a cooperative approach being taken with four other utilities in Northern Ontario on all aspects of the smart metering project.

### **How to see the Application**

A copy of the application and related documents are available for inspection at the Board's offices in Toronto and on its website, [www.oeb.gov.on.ca](http://www.oeb.gov.on.ca). A copy can also be viewed at Thunder Bay Hydro's office at the addresses indicated below and on its website.

### **How to Participate in the Hearing**

The application will be decided by way of written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is good reason for holding an oral hearing. If you object to a written hearing for this application, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board and copied to the applicant by **November 22, 2010**.

Any parties who wish information and material from Thunder Bay Hydro that is in addition to Thunder Bay Hydro'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 Thunder Bay Hydro on or before **November 26, 2010**. Where possible, the questions should specifically reference the pre-filed evidence. Thunder Bay Hydro shall file with the Board complete responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to any interested parties in the proceeding no later than **December 3, 2010**.

Anyone who wishes to make a submission on the application must file that written submission with the Board and deliver it to the applicant by **December 10, 2010**. If the applicant wishes to respond to the submission(s), the written response must be filed with the Board and delivered to all parties who made submissions by **December 17, 2010**.

### **How to File Documents with the Board**

You must forward three paper copies, and if possible, an electronic copy in Word format and searchable PDF format, of your written submission to the Board and one copy to the applicant. All submissions must quote file number EB-2010-0306 and clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. 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.

**Need More Information?**

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's Web site at [www.oeb.gov.on.ca](http://www.oeb.gov.on.ca) or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

**IMPORTANT**

**IF YOU DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN SUBMISSION OBJECTING TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.**

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**DATED** at Toronto, November 5, 2010

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

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