



EB-2010-0337

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING

### **Application by Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. for an Exemption from their Mandated Dates for Meter Enrollment Testing and Time-of-Use Pricing**

#### **The Application**

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. filed an application dated November 10, 2010 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B) for a licence amendment granting an exemption in relation to two dates mandated by the Board: the testing of a process for enrollment of customers in the meter data management repository and the implementation of Time-of-Use ("TOU") pricing rates for Regulated Price Plan consumers. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2010-0337. The application will be decided by the Counsel, Special Projects, who has been delegated this authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*. The Counsel, Special Projects, does not intend to provide for an award of costs when deciding this application.

#### **Mandated Meter Enrollment Testing and 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 require the implementation of TOU pricing for Regulated Price Plan customers. The determination established mandatory TOU implementation dates for each electricity distributor. For some distributors, the determination also included a required date for meter data management and repository testing. Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro is requesting an exemption from both their meter enrollment testing date of December 2010 and mandatory TOU date of October 2011.

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro states it is implementing a customer information billing system that will not be completed until May 27, 2011. The billing system is critical to the meter data management and repository testing process, and until the new system is operational, testing of the enrollment process cannot take place. Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro expects to commence the testing on August 26, 2011 and to bill RPP customers on TOU pricing on February 1, 2012. Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro asks the Board to consider these extraordinary circumstances and adjust its mandatory meter enrollment testing and TOU dates accordingly.

### **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 Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.'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 not holding a written 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 **December 14, 2010**.

Any parties who wish information and material from the applicant that is in addition to the applicant'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 the applicant on or before **December 16, 2010**. Where possible, the questions should specifically reference the pre-filed evidence. The applicant shall file with the Board complete responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to any interested parties in the proceeding no later than **December 23, 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 30, 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 **January 6, 2011**. All written submissions sent to the Board will be placed on the public record. The written submissions will be available for viewing at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website.

If the written submission is from a private citizen (i.e., not a lawyer representing a client, not a consultant representing a client or organization, not an individual in an organization that represents the interests of consumers or other groups, and not an individual from a regulated entity), before placing the written submission on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the written submission (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the written submission will become part of the public record.

As stated elsewhere in this notice, you must provide a complete copy of your written submission (including your name, contact information, and everything written in the submission) to the applicant.

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

You must forward two 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-2010-0337 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 BY FILING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS 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 25, 2010

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

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