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



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**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 West Perth Power Inc. and Clinton Power Corporation for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective July 1, 2010.

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON INTERIM RATES**

West Perth Power Inc. ("West Perth Power") and Clinton Power Corporation ("Clinton Power") filed cost of service applications with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on June 15, 2010 and June 18, 2010 respectively, 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 West Perth Power and Clinton Power charge for electricity distribution in their respective service areas, to be effective July 1, 2010.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on July 6, 2010. In accordance with Procedural Order No. 2, issued on October 4, 2010, West Perth Power, Clinton Power and intervenors of record attended a settlement conference on November 4, 2010. A settlement agreement was reached and subsequently filed with the Board on November 25, 2010.

Upon review of the settlement agreement, the Board noticed that an effective date of December 1, 2010 was agreed upon. However, given the time of filing of the settlement agreement, the Board will not be able to implement rates until after December 1, 2010. Therefore, the Board has determined that rates should be declared interim as of December 1, 2010. The Board will render its decision on the combined proceeding in the following weeks. At that time, it will determine if those new rates should be effective as at December 1, 2010 or as at a later date.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The distribution rates currently charged by West Perth Power and Clinton Power shall be interim effective December 1, 2010.

**DATED** at Toronto, November 30, 2010

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

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