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



EB-2010-0372

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND WRITTEN HEARING

Application by Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. for an Exemption from their Mandated Time-of-Use Pricing Date

The Application

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. filed an application dated December 7, 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 the mandated date for the implementation of Time-of-Use ("TOU") pricing rates for Regulated Price Plan consumers. 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. Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. is seeking an exemption from their June 2011 TOU date to coordinate Smart Metering Entity enrolment on the same schedule as Hydro 2000 and Ottawa River Power Corporation and requesting the same October 2011 TOU date as these distributors.

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, <u>www.oeb.gov.on.ca</u>. A copy can also be viewed at Cooperative Hydro Embrun 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 **January 27, 2011**.

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 **January 31, 2011**. 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 **February 7, 2011**.

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 **February 14, 2011**. 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 **February 22, 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-2010-0372 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 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.

Addresses

The Board

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Board Secretary

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The Applicants

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