

EB-2010-0295

IN THE MATTER OF a proceeding initiated by the Ontario Energy Board to determine whether the costs and damages incurred by electricity distributors as a result of the April 21, 2010 Minutes of Settlement in the late payment penalty class action, as further described herein, are recoverable from electricity distribution ratepayers, and if so, the form and timing of such recovery.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

On October 29, 2010 the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") issued a Notice of Proceeding on its own motion to determine (i) whether Affected Electricity Distributors should be allowed to recover from their ratepayers the costs and damages incurred in the Late Payment Penalty Class Action ("LPP Class action"), and if so, (ii) the form and timing of such recovery. This proceeding was commenced pursuant to sections 19 and 78(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and the Board has assigned File no. EB-2010-0295 to this proceeding.

For purposes of this proceeding, "Affected Electricity Distributors" means licensed Ontario electricity distributors that were named as defendant class members in Schedule F of the Minutes of Settlement, dated April 21, 2010.

On December 17, 2010, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1, which set out, amongst other things, the case timetable. In this Order the Board ordered the Electricity Distributors Association ("EDA") and Toronto Hydro Electric System Limited ("THESL") to file argument-in-chief by January 17, 2011.

On January 11, 2011 the Board received a request from counsel for the EDA for an extension for the filing of argument-in-chief to January 20, 2011.

The Board approves the EDAs request for an extension and will also allow THESL to file its argument-in-chief by January 20, 2011.

The dates for submissions and final reply ordered in Procedural Order No. 1 remain unchanged.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following procedural matters. Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The EDA on behalf of the Affected Electricity Distributors shall file with the Board its argument-in-chief by **January 20**, **2011**. THESL shall file with the Board its argument-in-chief in relation to its supplemental evidence also by **January 20**, **2011**.
- 2. The events commencing with item 4, ordered in Procedural Order No. 1 remain unchanged.

The Board reminds all parties that due to the number of Affected Electricity Distributors involved in this proceeding, the Board will not require parties to file materials with all other parties. As such, all parties will be required to regularly consult the Board's website at http://www.oeb.gov.on.ca/html/EB-2010-0295 to gain access to any newly filed materials in this case.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2010-0295, 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. 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, January 13, 2011

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