

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

BOARD STAFF SUBMISSION

Application for Exemption from Mandated Time of Use Pricing Date for Regulated Price Plan Consumers

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.

EB-2010-0372

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BACKGROUND

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 customers.

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. is seeking an exemption from their June 2011 TOU date to coordinate Smart Metering Entity enrollment on the same schedule as Hydro 2000 and Ottawa River Power Corporation and requesting the same October 2011 TOU date as these distributors. Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. states following the recommendation of Smart Metering Entity personnel, there are efficiencies to be gained having to do with economy, organization and training by extending their mandated TOU date to align with Hydro 2000 and Ottawa River Power Corporation.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on January 10, 2011.

This submission is being provided by Board staff following a review of the application and evidence filed in this proceeding.

STAFF SUBMISSION

Having reviewed the application and evidence, Board staff has no issue with the Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.'s request for an exemption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.