



EB-2007-0901

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 Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2008.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, received on November 6, 2007 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that it charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2008. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2007-0901. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing dated December 7, 2007.

The Board has decided to proceed by way of written hearing, and considers it necessary to make provision for the following procedural matters. Please be aware that this procedural order may be amended, and further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Intervenor or Board staff who wish information and material from the applicant that is in addition to the evidence filed 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 Thursday, January 31, 2008. A list of intervenors is attached as Appendix A to this order.

2. The applicant shall file with the Board complete responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to the intervenors no later than Thursday, February 14, 2008.
3. Board staff shall file and deliver any submission on the application by Friday, February 29, 2008.
4. Intervenors who wish to make a submission on the application must file that submission with the Board, and deliver it to the applicant and other intervenors by Tuesday, March 4, 2008.
5. If the applicant wishes to respond to a submission, the response must be filed with the Board and delivered to intervenors by Tuesday, March 11, 2008.
6. All filings to the Board must quote file number EB-2007-0901, 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 or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.
7. 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.

DATED at Toronto, January 14, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli,
Board Secretary

Appendix “A”

**ESPANOLA REGIONAL HYDRO DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION –
2008 RATE REBASING APPLICATION
BOARD FILE NO. EB-2007-0901**

January 14, 2008

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