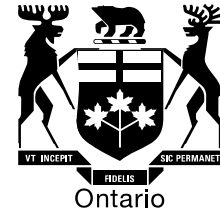


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BY EMAIL

March 4, 2008

Ms. Kirsten Walli
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Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: **EB-2007-0697**
2008 Electricity Distribution Rate Application of Horizon Utilities Corporation

This letter is submitted on behalf of all the parties involved in the Horizon Utilities 2008 rate application to request that a settlement conference for this proceeding be rescheduled.

Horizon Utilities Corporation ("Horizon" or "the applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on October 22, 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. On February 15, 2008 the Board issued Procedural Order No. 2 which set out the dates for a settlement conference. The Board convened a settlement conference starting February 25 continuing until February 27, 2008 with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues.

Horizon attended the ADR on February 26, 2008 and advised parties that they required more time to respond to information requests and prepare for the negotiation. The settlement conference was adjourned as a result. After some correspondence was received by all parties, a conference call was arranged to discuss the need for rescheduling the settlement conference. The parties agreed that in the best interest of attempting to reach a negotiated settlement it is reasonable for Horizon to be given additional time to prepare for the settlement conference. The parties recommend the following amended schedule:

1. The settlement conference would reconvene from Tuesday March 18, 2008 to Thursday March 20, 2008.

2. Any settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference would be filed with the Board on Monday March 31, 2008.

All parties expressed an acceptance that this revised schedule will accommodate the opportunity for a settlement to be reached, which was the objective of Procedural Order No.

2. Allowing for this opportunity to be pursued will support one of the Board's objectives of improving regulatory efficiency.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Allan Fogwill
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cc: Horizon Utilities Corporation
Intervenors of record in EB-2007-0697