



**EB-2011-0271**

**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 Halton Hills Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2012.

#### **PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 4**

Halton Hills Hydro Inc. (“HHHI”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”), received on August 26, 2011, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that HHHI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2011-0271.

The Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 on October 14, 2011, in which it approved the intervenors to this proceeding and set out a schedule for interrogatories and responses. HHHI filed its responses to the interrogatories on November 16, and filed additional information related to its responses on November 25, 2011.

The Board issued Procedural Order No. 2 on December 16, 2011, in which it set out the schedule for supplementary interrogatories. The Board noted that it would review the interrogatory responses to determine if a transcribed technical conference was needed. The Board also set out the schedule for a Settlement Conference and filing of any Settlement Proposal.

The Board issued Procedural Order No. 3 on January 30, 2012, in which it confirmed that a technical conference would occur. The Board has also accepted requests to file a settlement proposal on a later date than specified in Procedural Order No. 2. .

HHHI filed a proposed partial Settlement Proposal on February 28th, 2012. The Settlement Proposal identifies a number of unsettled issues. It also notes that HHHI plans to file updated evidence relating to one of the unsettled issues.

The Board has determined that an oral hearing will be convened to consider the unsettled issues identified in the Settlement Proposal. At this date, the Board has not determined whether it will accept the Partial Settlement Proposal. The Board's decision on this matter will be communicated to parties as soon as possible.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following procedural matters.

#### **THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. HHHI shall file with the Board any updated evidence relating to an unsettled issue and deliver it to the intervenors no later than **March 12, 2012**.
2. The oral hearing will commence on Thursday **March 22, 2012** in the Board's North Hearing Room on the 25<sup>th</sup> Floor at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto, at 9:30 am, and will continue if necessary on Friday **March 23, 2012**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2011-0271, be made through the Board's web portal at <https://www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.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.ontarioenergyboard.ca](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.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.

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, March 5, 2012

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