Ontario Energy Board

Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0140

**IN THE MATTER OF** sections 70 and 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act 1998*, S.O.1998, c.15, (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** a Board-initiated proceeding to designate an electricity transmitter to undertake development work for a new electricity transmission line between Northeast and Northwest Ontario: the East-West Tie Line.

## PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3 May 9, 2012

On April 16, 2012, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 2 which made provision for the remaining procedural steps in Phase 1 of this proceeding. Pursuant to that procedural order, parties have filed their submissions, and reply submissions are to be filed with the Board by May 16, 2012.

By a letter to the Board dated May 8, 2012, AltaLink Ontario L.P. ("AltaLink") requested an extension to the date by which it must file its reply submissions to Friday May 25, 2012. Two other parties, in letters dated May 9, 2012, asked that any extension granted to AltaLink be granted to all parties. The Board agrees that in the interests of fairness, any extension granted to AltaLink must be granted to all parties.

The Board recognizes that phase 1 of this proceeding involves issues of considerable complexity, and wishes to obtain high quality submissions on those issues. However, the Board is determined to avoid undue delay. The extension proposed by AltaLink would require the Board to reschedule the potential oral

hearing presently set for May 28, 2012, and thereby delay the issuance of a decision on phase 1 of the proceeding. Such a result is not acceptable.

The Board finds that reply submissions must be received by May 22 at noon in order to allow the parties and the Board to prepare for the potential oral hearing on May 28, 2012. The Board hereby amends procedural order #2 to reflect this finding.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- Any party who wishes to file a reply submission must file the submission with the Board and deliver it to all other parties no later than noon on Tuesday May 22, 2012.
- An oral hearing may be held at the Board's North Hearing Room located on the 25<sup>th</sup> floor of 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto on **Monday May 28, 2012** from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Board will advise parties no later than noon on Friday May 25, 2012 if this hearing day is necessary.

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## DATED at Toronto, May 9, 2012 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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