

EB-2012-0112

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE

Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for permission to increase its delivery charges beginning January 1, 2013. The application was filed on May 11, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B).

Delivery charges are one of four regular items on Residential and General Service customers' electric bills and vary depending on the amount of electricity consumed. If the application is approved as applied for, the monthly bill for a Residential customer who consumes 800 kWh per month will increase by about \$7.40 in the Fort Erie service area, \$8.76 in the Gananoque service area and \$9.65 in the Port Colborne service area. The monthly bill for a General Service customer consuming 2,000 kWh per month and having a monthly demand of less than 50 kW would increase by about \$14.86 in the Fort Erie service area, \$19.89 in the Gananoque service area and \$22.45 in the Port Colborne service area. The proposed changes to the Delivery charges are separate from other potential changes to the electricity bills, which are not affected by this application.

For additional information on billing items visit the Consumer page of the Board's website at http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca.

The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2012-0112. This application will proceed by way of a written or oral hearing, to be subsequently determined. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on all of Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s customers.

How to see Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s Application

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2012-0112 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and at the applicant's office at the addresses indicated below, or on the applicant's website www.cnpower.com.

How to Participate

Comment

If you wish to give your opinion on the proceeding to the Board Members hearing the application, you are invited to send a written letter of comment to the Board no later than **30 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Hearing Panel.

Observe

If you do not wish to actively participate in the proceeding but you do wish to receive documents issued by the Board, you may request observer status. Your written request must be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice.

Personal Information in Letters of Comment and Observer Requests

All letters of comment or letters requesting observer status will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website. Before placing the letters on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e. not business) contact information from the letters (i.e. the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the letter will become part of the public record. Please address your letter to the Board Secretary at the address below, and reference file number **EB-2012-0112** at the top of your letter.

Intervene

If you wish to actively participate in the proceeding (e.g., submit questions, file argument), you may request intervenor status from the Board no later than **10 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. Instructions for requesting intervenor status are available on the Board's website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate.

Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website.

If you do not have internet access, please call 1-888-632-2727 to receive information about this proceeding and how to participate.

The Board

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Board Secretary

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The Applicant

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IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDING.

DATED at Toronto, May 28, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary