Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0274

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 Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective **May 1, 2012**.

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 2 May 30, 2012

Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("RSL") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on Feb 7, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that RSL charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board has assigned the application File Number EB-2011-0274. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on February 29, 2012.

On March 28, 2012, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 in which it approved the intervenors to this proceeding and set out a schedule for interrogatories and responses. RSL filed its responses to the interrogatories on May 11, 2012, and filed additional information related to its responses on May 15 and May 24, 2012.

The Board has determined that it will provide for an additional round of written interrogatories, to be followed by a settlement conference.

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

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- Intervenors and Board staff who wish to ask questions that relate to the existing interrogatory responses filed by RSL shall file written supplemental interrogatories with the Board and deliver a copy to RSL on or before **June 4**, **2012**. Where possible, the questions should reference the existing response and the pre-filed evidence.
- 2. RSL shall file with the Board complete responses to the supplemental interrogatories and deliver them to the intervenors no later than **June 20, 2012.**
- A Settlement Conference will be convened on July 11, 2012 starting at 9:30

 a.m., in the North Hearing Room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto, with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on July 12, 2012 in the West Hearing Room at the same address.
- 4. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than July 27, 2012. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the Settlement Proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, identifying those issues that the parties believe must be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.

Upon reviewing the Settlement Proposal the Board will determine next steps. If necessary, the Board expects to consider any unsettled issues by means of a written hearing, and a procedural order will be issued to that effect.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2011-0274, be made through the Board's web portal at <u>https://www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> 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 <u>www.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. 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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Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Board Secretary E-mail: <u>Boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (toll free) Fax: 416-440-7656

DATED at Toronto, May 30, 2012

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