



EB-2012-0086

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF applications by Cambridge
and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. for an order or orders
approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates
related to Smart Meter deployment, to be effective July 1,
2012.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member

Marika Hare
Member

INTERIM RATE ORDER
June 29, 2012

Introduction

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. ("CND"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on March 27, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that CND charges for electricity distribution, to be effective July 1, 2012.

The Board issued its Letter of Direction and Notice of Application on April 9, 2012. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers' Coalition ("VECC") requested and was granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility. Two letters of comment were received, and CND responded to the commenters. Subsequent to interrogatories and responses being filed, Board staff filed submissions on June 12, 2012 and VECC filed its

submission on June 14, 2012. CND filed its reply submission on June 20, 2012.

The Board notes that this Application is still before the Board, and the Board will not be able to render its decision before the requested effective date of July 1, 2012. As a result, the Board will make the CND's current Tariff of Rates and Charges that were made effective May 1, 2012 interim pending the Board's decision. This determination is made without prejudice to the Board's decision on CND's Application, and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the Board's final determination with regards to the effective date for CND's rates arising from this Application.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.'s Tariff of Rates and Charges as approved by the Board is its Decision and Order EB-2011-0156 and effective May 1, 2012 is declared interim effective July 1, 2012.

DATED at Toronto, June 29, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary