

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,
S.O.1998, c.15

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Essex Powerlines Corporation for an Order or Orders pursuant to section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for 2012 distribution rates and related matters.

APPLICATION

1. The Applicant is Essex Powerlines Corporation ("EPLC"). EPLC is a licensed electricity distributor operating pursuant to license ED-2002-0499. EPLC distributes electricity to approximately 28,000 customers in the Town of Amherstburg, the Town of Lasalle, the Municipality of Leamington and the Town of Tecumseh in south-western Ontario.
2. EPLC hereby applies to the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for an order or orders made pursuant to Section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, as amended, (the "OEB Act") approving just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity based on a 2013 incentive regulation mechanism ("IRM") application, effective May 1, 2013.
3. Specifically, EPLC hereby applies for an order or orders granting distribution rates updated and adjusted in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Filing Requirements for Transmission and Distribution Applications dated July 10, 2010, including the following:
 - a. An adjustment to the revenue to cost ratios as agreed to in EPLC's Settlement Agreement and approved by the Ontario Energy Board under file number EB-2009-0143.
 - b. An increase to base rates of 0.88% reflecting the current price cap parameters.
 - c. A Z-Factor Tax Change of \$(78,848), to be applied as per the 2013 Shared Tax Savings Model
4. This Application is supported by written evidence that may be amended from time to time, prior to the Board's final decision on this Application.
5. The Applicant requests that, pursuant to Section 34.01 of the Board's *Rules of Practice And Procedure*, this proceeding be conducted by way of written hearing.
6. The Applicant requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board in this proceeding be served on the Applicant as follows:

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DATED at Oldcastle, Ontario, this 12th day of October, 2012.

ESSEX POWERLINES CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RD Dimmel', is written over a horizontal line.

Richard Dimmel, General Manager