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### October 22, 2012

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

### Re: 2013 Distribution Rate Application Board File No. EB-2012-0154

In accordance with the Board's Letter of Direction dated October 10, 2012, the undersigned hereby confirms that the attached "*Notice of Application and Written Hearing for an Electricity Distribution Rate Change*" was published on October 18, 2012 in the *Oakville Beaver*. This is the English language newspaper having the highest circulation in the Town of Oakville. An affidavit to this effect and a copy of the newspaper article are enclosed with this letter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryarne Wilson

Maryanne Wilson Manager, Regulatory Affairs Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. 861 Redwood Square Oakville, ON L6K 0C7 Telephone: 905-825-4422 Email: mwilson@oakvillehydro.com

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



EB-2012-0154

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.

Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Oakville Hydro") has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for permission to change its delivery charges beginning May 1, 2013. The application was filed on October 1, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), under the Board's guidelines for 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates between cost of service applications.

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

The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2012-0154. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on all of Oakville Hydro's customers.

# How to see Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution 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-2012-0154 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 <u>www.oakvillehydro.com</u>.

# Written Hearing

The Board intends to proceed with this matter by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to a written hearing, you must provide written reasons why you believe an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board and copied to the applicant within **10 days** of the publication or service date of this notice.

# 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

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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-2012-0154** at the top of your letter.

## Intervene

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# **Interrogatories and Submissions**

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Written submissions by an intervenor or Board staff must be filed with the Board, and copied to all other parties, by December 6, 2012. If Oakville Hydro wishes to respond to the submissions, its written response must be filed with the Board and delivered to all other parties by December 20, 2012.

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## DATED at Toronto, October 10, 2012 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

# The Applicant:

Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. 861 Redwood Square Oakville ON L6K 0C7 Attention: Maryanne Wilson

E-mail: <u>mwilson@oakvillehydro.com</u> Tel: (905) 825-4422

Affidavit of	)	IN THE MATTER OF OAKVILLE
	)	HYDRO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION INC.
Maryanne Wilson	)	AND THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

I, MARYANNE WILSON, at the city of Oakville, make oath and say:

- 1. I am a Manager, Regulatory Affairs at Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and as such have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to.
- 2. By letter dated October 10, 2012, the Ontario Energy Board gave Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. certain directives to comply with. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to this affidavit is a true copy of that Letter of Direction.
- 3. In accordance with the directives contained in the Letter of Direction, Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. published a Notice of Application for an Electricity Distribution Rate Change in the Oakville Beaver on October 18, 2012. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" to this affidavit is a true copy of the Notice.

SWORN BEFORE ME, at the Town of Oakville This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2012

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MAŃAGĘŔ, REGULATORY AFFAIRS – OAKVILLE HYDRO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION INC. MARYANNE WILSON

A COMMISIONER FOR OATHS,

Janette Sheila Carter-Kincaid, a Commissioner, etc., Regional Municipality of Halton, for Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and its subsidiaries, associates and affiliates. Expires March 27, 2015. Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Telephone: 416-481-1967 Facsimile: 416-440-7656 Toll free: 1-888-632-6273 Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario C.P. 2319 27° étage 2300, rue Yonge Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Téléphone: 416-481-1967 Télécopieur: 416-440-7656 Numéro sans frais: 1-888-632-6273



**BY E-MAIL** 

October 10, 2012

Maryanne Wilson Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. 861 Redwood Square Oakville ON L6J 0C7

# LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Wilson:

## Re: Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. Application for 2013 Distribution Rates Board File Number: EB-2012-0154

The Ontario Energy Board has now issued its Notice of Application and Hearing relating to your 2013 incentive regulation mechanism application (the "Notice"). Please note that you must publish the Notice within **fourteen days** of the date of this letter. If publication is not possible within fourteen days, you must inform the Board Secretary immediately.

You are directed:

 To arrange immediately for the publication of the English version of the Notice, in the form accompanying this Letter of Direction, including all graphics and the words "Ontario Energy Board", in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest circulation, according to the best information available, in Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.'s service area;

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

 To immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on all intervenors of record in Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.'s previous cost of service rate application proceeding EB-2009-0271, namely;

**Energy Probe Research Foundation** 

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition School Energy Coalition

- If Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. is a Host Distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its Embedded Distributor(s);
- 4. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and service of the Notice immediately thereafter;
- 5. To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.'s office and on its website;
- 6. To make a copy of the Notice available for public review at Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.'s office and on its website; and,
- 7. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any document(s) or material(s) when serving the Notice other than document(s) or material(s) expressly required by this Letter of Direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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Encl.

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