



EB-2012-0164

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 or Orders
approving rates for the distribution of electricity to be
implemented on May 1, 2013.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1
December 12, 2012

Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("Rideau St. Lawrence") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dated October 25, 2012, seeking permission to change its delivery charges beginning May 1, 2013. The application was filed under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), under the Board's guidelines for 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates between cost of service applications.

On November 7, 2012 the Board issued a Notice of Application. The Notice of Application established dates for interrogatories and submissions.

On December 11, 2012 the Board received a request from Board staff for an extension to the filing of interrogatories. Board staff requested an extension from Friday, December 7, 2012 to Thursday, December 13, 2012. Board staff suggested that the date for interrogatory responses be moved from Friday, December 21, 2012 to Friday, January 11, 2013.

On December 12, 2012 the Board requested Board staff to provide an explanation as to why it did not meet the deadline to file interrogatories. On December 12, 2012 Board staff replied to the Board's letter noting that due to an administrative oversight, the deadline was not met.

The Board approves Board staff's request and will provide an extension until December 13, 2012 for interrogatories to be filed.

The Board has made subsequent changes to the procedural steps originally outlined in the Notice of Application and finds it necessary to provide the following guidance on the next steps in the proceeding.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Parties who seek further information from the Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. shall request it by written interrogatories filed with the Board and copied to all parties on or before **Thursday, December 13, 2012**.
2. Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. shall provide complete responses to all interrogatories filed with the Board and copied to all parties on or before **Friday, January 11, 2013**.
3. Written submissions by Board staff must be filed with the Board and copied to all other parties by **Friday, January 25, 2013**.
4. If Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. wishes to respond to the submissions, its written response must be filed with the Board and copied to all other parties by **Friday, February 8, 2013**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2012-0164, be made through the Board's web portal at <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>, 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. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry. If the web portal is not available, parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD 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 4:00 p.m. on the required date.

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DATED at Toronto, December 12, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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Board Secretary