

EB-2012-0137

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 Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Paula Conboy

Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin Vice-Chair

INTERIM RATE ORDER

Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. ("Remotes") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 17, 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 Remotes charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013. Additional evidence was required to complete the application which was filed on or before November 12, 2012. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2012-0137.

The review of Remotes' application is not yet concluded. Pending the issuance of final rates for 2013, the Board declares the current rates interim effective May 1, 2013. In declaring Remotes' rates interim, the Board emphasizes that this interim rate order should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the final determination with regards to the effective date.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The currently approved distribution rates of Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. are declared interim as of May 1, 2013 and until such time as a final Rate Order is issued by the Board.

DATED at Toronto, April 29, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary