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



EB-2013-0167

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 PUC Distribution Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2014.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 November 13, 2013

PUC Distribution Inc. ("PUC") filed a complete application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 11, 2013 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), under the Board's Filing Guidelines for an Incentive Regulation Mechanism. PUC is seeking approval for changes to the rates that PUC charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2014. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2013-0167.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on October 25, 2013. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility in relation to PUC's request for a Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism ("LRAM"). No objection was received.

The Board approves VECC as an intervenor and has also determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* in relation to PUC's proposed LRAM adjustment. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Appendix A to this procedural order.

The Board has decided to make provision at this time for written interrogatories, interrogatory responses, submission and reply submission. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Board staff and VECC shall request any information and material from PUC that is in addition to PUC's pre-filed evidence with the Board, and that is relevant to the hearing, by written interrogatories filed with the Board and served on PUC on or before **November 28, 2013**.
- 2. PUC shall file with the Board complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on VECC on or before **December 12, 2013.**
- Board staff and VECC wishing to file a written submission shall do so by January 13, 2014. Any submission should be filed with the Board and delivered to PUC and intervenors.
- 4. PUC may file a written reply submission with the Board, and deliver it to VECC by **January 27, 2014**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2013-0167, 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 http://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 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Birgit Armstrong at <u>birgit.armstrong@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> and Board Counsel, Maureen Helt at <u>maureen.helt@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, November 13, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix 'A'

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APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

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APPLICANT

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