



EB-2012-0300

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 Great Lakes Power Transmission Inc. on behalf of Great Lakes Power Transmission LP seeking changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates for 2013 and 2014.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3

December 9, 2013

Great Lakes Power Transmission Inc. on behalf of Great Lakes Power Transmission LP (“GLPT”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) on June 29, 2012 under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act 1998. The application was for an order of the Board approving just and reasonable rates and other service charges for the transmission of electricity, effective on January 1, 2013 and January 1, 2014.

All four licensed transmitters in Ontario - Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”), GLPT, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. and Five Nations Energy Inc. charge a Uniform Transmission Rate (“UTR”). The Board approves the revenue requirements and charge determinants of the individual transmitters and uses them to calculate the UTR.

On November 1, 2012, the Board issued its Decision on GLPT’s Proposed Settlement Agreement and Accounting Order. The 2013 and 2014 GLPT revenue requirements approved by the Board in that Decision will be used to calculate January 1, 2013, and January 1, 2014 UTR. In its Decision, the Board indicated that GLPT’s two revenue requirements would be adjusted to include future updates to the Board’s Cost of Capital parameters for the rate years beginning January 1, 2013, and January 1, 2014 respectively. The Board also approved disposition of the balances in all deferral

accounts covered by the application, except the deferral account related to the Comstock claim, over a three year period beginning January 2013.

GLPT's approved revenue requirement was adjusted to incorporate the Board's approved 2013 Cost of Capital¹ on December 20, 2012. GLPT's adjusted 2013 revenue requirement of \$37,356,367 was approved for inclusion in the January 1, 2013 UTR.

On November 27, 2013, GLPT filed with the Board a proposal to revise its 2014 revenue requirement, to reflect the Board's approved Cost of Capital Parameter Update which was issued on November 25, 2013.

In addition to adjusting the revenue requirement to reflect updated cost of capital parameters, the December 20, 2012 Decision and Order provided for adjustments attributable to various deferral account dispositions. GLPT had originally applied for disposition of the balances in the deferral accounts in a one year period beginning January 1, 2013. GLPT filed updated account balances and disposition amounts for use in the 2013 UTR to reflect the fact that the Board approved the disposition over three years rather than over one year. These updated amounts were approved by the Board on December 20, 2012 and included in the January 1, 2013 UTR.

GLPT has now filed updated deferral account balances and disposition amounts for use in the 2014 UTR. GLPT has applied for a disposition in 2014 of \$748,608 to the benefit of the ratepayers.

If GLPT's proposal concerning the updated cost of capital parameters and deferral account disposition is accepted as filed, the effect would be to reduce GLPT's 2014 revenue requirement level of \$38,731,104 to \$ 37,982,496.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Intervenors or Board staff who wish to make submissions in regard to GLPT's proposal or its impact on GLPT's 2014 revenue requirement shall file them and serve them on GLPT by **December 16, 2013**.
2. GLPT shall file its response to the submissions of intervenors or Board staff, if

¹ The Board issued its Cost of Capital Parameter Update for 2013 Cost of Service Applications for Rates Effective January 1, 2013 on November 15, 2012.

any, relating to its proposal and deliver it to all parties by, **December 19, 2013**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2012-0300, be made through the Board's web portal at: 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 BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca. 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.

DATED at Toronto, December 9, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary