



EB-2013-0166

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

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2
AND
ORDER FOR INTERIM RATES**

December 12, 2013

PowerStream Inc. ("PowerStream") filed a complete application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 6, 2013 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), and the Board's Filing Guidelines for an Incentive Regulation Mechanism. PowerStream is seeking approval for changes to the rates that PowerStream charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2014. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2013-0166.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"), School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") applied for and received intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 dated November 1, 2013 in which the Board established dates for the filing of written interrogatories and responses.

Interim Rates

In the Application, PowerStream requested an effective date of January 1, 2014. The Board will make PowerStream's current approved rates interim pending the outcome of this proceeding. This determination is made without prejudice to the Board's decision on the Application, and should not be construed as predictive in any way of the Board's final determination regarding the effective date of PowerStream's rates.

The Board has decided to make provision at this time for a Technical Conference.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. A transcribed Technical Conference shall be convened on **December 20, 2013**, starting at 9:30 a.m. The Technical Conference will be held in the Board's West hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto. Parties participating in the Technical Conference are requested to file with the Board and copy PowerStream and all other parties, by **December 18, 2013**, the topics on which they will address or seek clarification on at the Technical Conference.
2. PowerStream shall provide a response to any undertaking given at the Technical Conference on or before **January 17, 2014**.
3. PowerStream's current approved rates are declared interim effective January 1, 2014.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2013-0166, 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, Stephen Vetsis at Stephen.Vetsis@ontarioenergyboard.ca and Board Counsel, Maureen Helt at Maureen.Helt@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **December 12, 2013**
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Board Secretary