



EB-2013-0416

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 Networks Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2015, each year to December 31, 2019.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

March 19, 2014

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") filed a cost of service rate application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on December 19, 2013 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 Hydro One charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2015 and each year thereafter to December 31, 2019. Hydro One is applying through a Custom Incentive Regulation application for a full review of its distribution rates over each of the five years. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2013-0416.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing dated January 24, 2014. Hydro One supplemented its application with additional material filed January 31, 2014.

The Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 on March 14, 2014 in which the Board established a schedule setting the dates for a series of three technical conferences and a Presentation/Issues Day for this proceeding.

On March 17, 2014 the Board received a request from Hydro One indicating that key staff would not be available on April 1 for the first scheduled technical conference but suggesting the week of April 28 for possible replacement dates. The Board has determined that it will accommodate this request and has amended the technical conference schedule as shown below. The Board has also updated the list of intervenors.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The updated list of approved intervenors is attached as Appendix A to this Procedural Order. As noted in Procedural Order No. 1, the Board will issue a decision in due course regarding the request for intervenor status made by HDI.
2. A series of three transcribed Technical Conferences will be held on the following dates, commencing at 9:30 am in the Board's Hearing Room, for the following topics:

April 10, 2014 - the framework of the application, including the proposed approach to ratemaking over the 5-year planning horizon, proposed annual adjustment mechanisms, adjustments outside the normal course of business, off-ramps, outcome measures, and the consistency of the framework of the application with Board policy

April 23, 2014 – the distribution system plan, including planned capital investments and asset management planning; discussion of operations, maintenance and administration expenditures, their key drivers, and linkages to RRFE outcomes, such as improvement in productivity and cost performance; the determination of customer preferences, and their incorporation into the distribution system plan.

April 30, 2014 – proposed cost allocation and rate design changes including line losses.

3. On May 12, 2014, commencing at 9:30 am in the Board's Hearing Room, the Board will convene to hear Hydro One's presentation and receive submissions on the Draft Issues List.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2013-0416, be made electronically through the Board's web portal at <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>, in searchable / unrestricted PDF

format. Two paper copies must also be filed at the Board's address provided below. 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, Harold Thiessen at harold.thiessen@ontarioenergyboard.ca and Board Counsel, Jennifer Lea at jennifer.lea@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Appendix A

To Procedural Order Number 2

Hydro One Networks Inc.

List of Intervenors

Board File No: EB-2013-0416

DATED: March 19, 2014

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