



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. 4
July 23, 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. 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 and with an evidence update filed on May 30, 2014.

Through Procedural Order No. 3, the Board established an issues list for the proceeding and a schedule for written interrogatories and responses. Hydro One filed interrogatory responses on July 4, 2014, but the attachments to certain interrogatory responses were redacted or absent. On July 11, 2014, Hydro One filed the attachments with the Board, and requested confidential treatment of the attachments. On July 21, 2014, the Board received a letter from Hydro One setting out the reasons for the request for confidentiality. That letter, dated July 17, 2014, was copied to all parties.

In this Procedural Order the Board will make provision for objections to Hydro One’s request. All parties should ensure that any material filed on this issue complies with section 5 of the Board’s *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings* (the “*Practice Direction*”).

As an interim measure, the Board will allow any counsel or consultant for an intervenor that wishes to review the confidential documents to do so after signing a copy of the Board's Declaration and Undertaking with respect to confidential documents, filing it with the Board and serving it on Hydro One. The Board understands that Hydro One has already provided the information to such persons who have filed and served a Declaration and Undertaking. If Hydro One has any objection to the acceptance by the Board of Declaration and Undertakings from any counsel or consultants for intervenors who file and serve a Declaration and Undertaking, Hydro One shall immediately notify the Board and the affected parties of its objection pursuant to section 6.1.4 of the *Practice Direction*.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Any intervenor or Board staff who wish to object to Hydro One's request for confidential treatment for any of the information filed in confidence shall file that objection with the Board and serve it on Hydro One and all other parties on or before July 29, 2014. Submissions must comply with section 5.1.7 of the *Practice Direction*.
2. Hydro One may reply to any objection by filing its reply with the Board and serving it on all parties on or before August 1, 2014.
3. The Board intends to accept a Declaration and Undertaking from any counsel or consultant to intervenors in this proceeding. If Hydro One has any objection to the acceptance by the Board of a Declaration and Undertaking from any counsel or consultant for intervenors who file and serve a Declaration and Undertaking, Hydro One shall, with two business days of being served with the Declaration and Undertaking, notify the Board and the affected party of its objection. Any person who receives an objection may reply within two business days of being served with the objection.

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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DATED at Toronto, July 23, 2014
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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