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



EB-2014-0102

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 Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2015.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 September 24, 2014

Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Oakville Hydro") filed a complete application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 15, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) and under the Board's Filing Requirements for Incentive Regulation Rate Applications. Oakville Hydro is seeking approval for changes to the rates that Oakville Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2015. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2014-0102.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on September 2, 2014. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") and Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility in relation to Oakville Hydro's request for the proposed Z-factor ice storm claim. No objections were received.

The Board issued a letter to expand the scope of cost award eligibility on September 12, 2014, to include costs in relation to Oakville Hydro's request for a deferral account to track the impact of the half year rule on 2014 test year capital additions. On September 22, 2014 Oakville Hydro submitted a letter withdrawing its request for a deferral account to track the impact of the half year rule on 2014 test year capital additions.

I have determined that VECC and Energy Probe are granted intervenor status and that VECC and Energy Probe are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* in relation to Oakville Hydro's request outlined above.

The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Appendix A to this procedural order.

Parties are reminded to consult sections 26 and 27 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (as revised April 24, 2014) regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

I consider it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Provision is being made for written submissions following the filing of interrogatory responses, unless the Board orders otherwise during the course of the proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Board staff, VECC and Energy Probe shall request any information and material from Oakville Hydro that is in addition to Oakville Hydro's pre-filed evidence with the Board, and that is relevant to the hearing, by written interrogatories filed with the Board and served on Oakville Hydro on or before **October 2, 2014**.
- 2. Oakville Hydro shall file with the Board complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on VECC and Energy Probe on or before **October 15, 2014.**
- Unless the Board orders otherwise, Board staff, VECC and Energy Probe wishing to file a written submission shall do so by October 29, 2014. Any submission should be filed with the Board and delivered to Oakville Hydro, VECC and Energy Probe.
- 4. Unless the Board orders otherwise, Oakville Hydro may file a written reply submission with the Board, and deliver it to VECC and Energy Probe by **November 12, 2014**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2014-0102 and be made electronically through the Board's web portal at

<u>www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u> 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 <u>www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry</u>. 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, Kelli Benincasa at <u>Kelli.Benincasa@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> and Board Counsel, Richard Lanni at <u>Richard.Lanni@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, September 24, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj Registrar Appendix 'A'

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