



EB-2014-0272

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 Veridian
Connections Inc. for an order approving the recovery of
certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity
service in the service areas of Ajax, Pickering, Clarington
and Port Hope due to an ice storm in December 2013, to
be effective May 1, 2015 for 24 months.

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 1

October 7, 2014

Veridian Connections Inc. ("Veridian") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 22, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for the recovery of certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in the service areas of Ajax, Pickering, Clarington and Port Hope due to an ice storm in December 2013. The Board has assigned File Number EB-2014-0272 to this application.

A Notice of Application and Hearing was issued on September 10, 2014. Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility. No objection was received from Veridian.

I approve Energy Probe and VECC as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Appendix A to this Procedural Order. I have also determined that the intervenors are each eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

Consistent with the considerations outlined in the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*, section 5, intervenors are reminded to adopt a focused approach to the

discrete issue before the Board in this application, given the limited scope of this proceeding.

Veridian has requested a written hearing in this case. Any party that believes an oral hearing is required may make a submission to the Board setting out the reasons why in writing.

I consider it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Board staff and intervenors shall request any information and material from Veridian that is in addition to Veridian's pre-filed evidence with the Board, and that is relevant to the hearing, by written interrogatories filed with the Board and served to Veridian on or before **October 16, 2014**.
2. Veridian shall file with the Board complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them to the intervenors on or before **October 30, 2014**.
3. Unless the Board orders otherwise, Board staff, Energy Probe and VECC wishing to file a written submission shall do so by **November 14, 2014**. Any submission should be filed with the Board and delivered to Veridian, Energy Probe and VECC.
4. Unless the Board orders otherwise, Veridian may file a written reply submission with the Board, and deliver it to Energy Probe and VECC by **November 28, 2014**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2014-0272 and 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, Kelli Benincasa at Kelli.Benincasa@ontarioenergyboard.ca and Board Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba.Djurdjevic@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, October 7, 2014
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj
Registrar

Appendix 'A'

To

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Applicant and List of Intervenors

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**Veridian Connections Inc.
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