Affidavit Regarding Notice of Application with respect to the 2015 Cost of Service Rate Application

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE NIAGARA PENINSULA ENERGY INC. BOARD FILE NO. EB-2014-0096

I, **SUZANNE WILSON**, of the City of Niagara Falls, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara,

MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- 1. I am Vice-President, Finance of Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. (the "Applicant") and as such have knowledge of the matters set out in this Affidavit.
- 2. As of the date of this Affidavit, the applicant has completed its obligations pursuant under the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 as outlined in the Letter of Direction dated October 22, 2014, including:
 - a. Publication of the English version of the Notice of Application for an Electricity Distribution Rate Change in the Niagara Falls Review on October 25, 2014. The Niagara Falls Review is the English language newspaper having the highest circulation in the Applicant's service area, according to the best information available. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A" to this my Affidavit is a true copy of the Notice published in the Niagara Falls Review.
 - b. Served a copy of the Notice of Application, on October 23, 2014, on all intervenors of record in Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.'s previous cost of service rate proceeding, EB-2010-0138.
 - c. Made a copy of the application and evidence available for public review at Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.'s offices and in a prominent place on its website.
 - d. Made a copy of the Notice available for public review at Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.'s offices and in a prominent place on its website.
 - e. Will make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available to anyone requesting the material.
- 3. This Affidavit is made with respect to the Application of Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. for approval of its 2015 Distribution Rates.

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SWORN before me at the City of Niagara Falls, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara this 2 day of October, 2014

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This is Exhibit "A" to the Affidavit

Of SUZANNE WILSON

SWORN before me at the City of

Niagara Falls this 29 day of October, 2014

A Commissioner of Oaths

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF NIAGARA PENINSULA ENERGY INC.

Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. has applied to raise its electricity distribution rates. Learn more. Have your say.

Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase the amount it charges by \$0.81 each month for the typical residential customer beginning on May 1, 2015. Other customers, including businesses, may be affected as well.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Niagara Peninsula's request. We will question the company on its case for a rate increase. We will also hear arguments from individuals and from groups that represent Niagara Peninsula customers. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide what, if any, increase will be allowed.

Distributors such as Niagara Peninsula typically apply for a full review of their rates every five years. Any rate changes for the years in between are made by applying a formula that is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency. You may not get notice of future rate changes made by applying the formula.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process. You can:

- review Niagara Peninsula's application on the OEB's website now.
- file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by November 4, 2014 or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- rat the end of the process, review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

LEARN MORE

These proposed charges relate to Niagara Peninsula's distribution services. They make up part of the Delivery line -- one of the five line items on your bill. Our file number for this case is EB-2014-0096. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please select the file number EB-2014-0096 from the list on the OEB website: www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice. You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings - oral and written. Niagara Peninsula has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why.

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If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter or the documents you file with the OEB will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This rate hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).

