



EB-2014-0096

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 Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2015

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

January 22, 2014

Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. ("NPEI") filed a complete cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 23, 2014 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 NPEI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2015.

On November 18, 2014 the Board issued Procedural Order No.1 which, among other things, set February 2 and 3, 2015 as the dates for convening the Settlement Conference.

On January 14 and 15, 2015 the Board received correspondence from NPEI requesting a change to the Settlement Conference dates, from February 2 and 3, 2015 to February 3 and 4, 2015. NPEI noted that it had consulted with intervenors prior to making its request and reported that no objections had been raised.

The Board approves the requested change to the Settlement Conference dates. All other dates specified in Procedural Order No.1 remain in effect, save for the following. In the event there is no settlement proposal, NPEI shall file a statement to that effect by February 6, 2015. The date set in Procedural Order No.1 was February 4, 2015. The

Board notes that if there is no settlement proposal, February 9, 2015 remains as the filing date for any submissions from parties on which issues should be heard in writing, and for which issues the Board should hold an oral hearing.

The Board considers 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. The Settlement Conference scheduled start date of February 2, 2015 is cancelled.
2. The Settlement Conference among the parties and Board staff will be convened on **February 3, 2015** starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on **February 4, 2015**.
3. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, NPEI shall file a statement to that effect with the Board by **February 6, 2015**. In that event, parties shall file and serve on the other parties by **February 9, 2015** any submissions on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the Board should hold an oral hearing.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2014-0096, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the Board's web portal at <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>. 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, Christie Clark at Christie.clark@ontarioenergyboard.ca and Board Counsel, Maureen Helt at Maureen.Helt@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **January 22, 2015**

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