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



EB-2014-0101

**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 Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2015 and for each following year through to December 31, 2019.

## PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 May 6, 2015

Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. (Oshawa PUC) filed a custom incentive rate-setting application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on January 29, 2015 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 Oshawa PUC charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2015 and each year thereafter until December 31, 2019.

The OEB issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on February 18, 2015. On March 20, 2015, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 in which it approved the intervention and cost eligibility status of five parties. The Procedural Order also set out various procedural steps for the application.

Since the issuance of the procedural order, the OEB received letters from the applicant and other parties proposing changes in the dates for some of the procedural steps. The OEB finds that the proposed changes are satisfactory in that they do not compromise the time line for the review of the application.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

 Oshawa PUC shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors and OEB staff on or before May 8, 2015.

- 2. Following its review of Oshawa PUC's responses to interrogatories, the OEB will determine if a Technical Conference is required. If required, a transcribed Technical Conference will be held May 21, 2015 starting at 9:30 a.m. in the OEB's offices at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto, Ontario to clarify any matters arising from the interrogatories only. If required, the Technical Conference will continue on May 22, 2015. Parties intending to participate are to notify Oshawa PUC, and copy all parties, of the topic areas for questioning by May 19, 2015.
- 3. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the Board in writing that the parties and Board staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a draft issues list by **May 26, 2015**.
- A Settlement Conference among the parties and OEB staff will be convened on June 2, 2015 starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on June 3, 2015.
- 5. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **June 22, 2015**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether the parties believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.
- 6. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the Board and served on all parties within 7 days from when a settlement proposal is filed.
- 7. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, Oshawa PUC shall file a statement to that effect with the Board by June 5, 2015. In that event, parties shall file and serve on the other parties by June 9, 2015 any submissions on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2014-0101, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. 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>http://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, Harold Thiessen at <u>harold.thiessen@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Jennifer Lea at <u>jennifer.lea@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>.

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**DATED** at Toronto, May 6, 2015

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