

EB-2014-0116

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 Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2015 and for each following year effective January 1 through to December 31, 2019.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 11 June 8, 2015

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (Toronto Hydro) filed a Custom Incentive Rate ("CIR") application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB) on July 31, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998 seeking approval for changes to the rates that Toronto Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2015 and each year until December 31, 2019. Commencing in 2016, rates will be effective January 1.

On March 5, 2015, a Notice of Motion (the motion) was filed with the OEB by Rogers Communications Partnership (Rogers) on its own behalf as well as on behalf of Allstream Inc. and Cogeco Cable Inc. on behalf of itself and its affiliates, including Cogeco Cable Canada LP and Cogeco Data Services Inc. and TELUS Communications Company and its affiliates (collectively the Carriers). The motion requested that the OEB issue an order striking out the request by Toronto Hydro in the Application for an increase in its annual wireline pole attachment rate and also dealt with related matters.

On April 29, 2015, the OEB issued Decision and Procedural Order No. 10 which established among other things that an oral hearing on Toronto Hydro's request for an

increase in its wireline pole attachment rate would be held on June 9 and June 11, 2015.

On June 7, 2015, the OEB received a letter from Toronto Hydro counsel pertaining to this matter, stating it was written with the consent of the Carriers. The letter noted that Toronto Hydro and the Carriers have had a number of productive discussions in an attempt to resolve this matter and requested the opportunity to continue these discussions with the remaining interested parties. The letter asked that the OEB adjourn the hearing scheduled to begin June 9, 2015 and schedule a settlement conference for that time in its place.

The OEB has considered the request of Toronto Hydro and the Carriers and will adjourn the oral hearing scheduled to begin on June 9, 2015 until June 11, 2015 so that settlement discussions with the remaining interested parties may take place on June 9, 2015. Should the OEB be advised that a complete settlement has been reached, the OEB will issue further procedural direction regarding the oral hearing scheduled to begin on June 11, 2015.

The OEB ORDERS THAT:

- 1. A Settlement Conference on this matter will be held on June 9, 2015 in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto at 9:30 am.
- 2. The Oral Hearing on this matter will be held on June 11, 2015 in the OEB's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto at 9:30 am.

DATED at Toronto, June 8, 2015

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