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



EB-2015-0026

B2M Limited Partnership Application for an order approving a just and reasonable revenue requirement for electricity transmission to be effective January 1, 2015 through to December 31, 2019.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4 August 27, 2015

B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on March 30, 2015 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Sch. B), seeking approval for changes to its electricity transmission revenue requirement for 5 years from 2015 to 2019.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 on May 27, 2015, setting dates for interrogatories and other procedural steps. B2M LP filed interrogatory responses on June 29, 2015. On July 2, 2015, Procedural Order No. 2 amended various procedural steps for the application.

OEB staff and parties attended a technical conference on July 16, 2015. On July 27, 2015, in Procedural Order #3, the OEB approved the issues list for this proceeding, and ordered a settlement conference to be held on August 11, 2015. Subsequent to the settlement conference, on August 14, 2015, B2M LP filed a letter with the OEB stating that no settlement was reached.

In addition, the letter provided a joint submission from the parties to the proceeding on the format of the hearing. The parties submitted that for issues 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 5.5 and 6.1 on the approved issues list, additional information is needed to provide the OEB with a full understanding of the matters to be decided, and recommended an oral hearing for those issues. The parties also submitted that there was no need for further

evidence on the remaining issues, and that any dispute on those issues could be addressed through argument.

The OEB agrees with the joint submission, and will provide for an oral hearing on issues 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 5.5 and 6.1.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- An oral hearing on issues 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 5.5 and 6.1 will be convened on October 30, 2015 starting at 9:00 a.m. The oral hearing will be held in the OEB's North Hearing Room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2. If time permits, oral argument in chief from the applicant and submissions from other parties will be heard on the same day.
- 3. The applicant may choose to provide its reply argument in writing on a date to be determined.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2015-0026 and be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB'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, 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, August 27, 2015

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