



**EB-2015-0079**

**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates beginning  
January 1, 2016.**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1  
November 30, 2015**

On September 30, 2015, Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an application for electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2016. Hydro One also applied to begin its transition to fully fixed residential rates, as directed in the OEB's April 2, 2016 report: *A New Distribution Rate Design for Residential Electricity Customers (EB-2012-0410)*. The application was made under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B).

A Notice of Hearing (Notice) was issued on November 17, 2015. Each of the Horseshoe Lake Coalition (HLC), Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME), the Society of Energy Professionals (SEP), the Power Workers' Union (PWU), the Balsam Lake Coalition (BLC), the School Energy Coalition (SEC), the Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) and the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (FOCA) applied for intervention status. CME, BLC, SEC, Energy Probe, CCC, VECC and FOCA also requested cost eligibility. Hydro One did not file any objections.

I approve each of HLC, CME, SEP, PWU, BLC, SEC, Energy Probe, CCC, VECC and FOCA as intervenors in this proceeding and grant the requests of CME, BLC, SEC, Energy Probe, CCC, VECC and FOCA for cost eligibility.

The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order.

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party, unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

### Technical Conference

The OEB will proceed with a Technical Conference, where Hydro One may present its draft rate order to parties and answer any questions raised by parties.

After the technical conference, parties will be given the opportunity to file written submissions and Hydro One will be afforded the opportunity for reply submissions regarding the comments filed.

I consider it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. A non-transcribed technical conference will be held **Friday, December 4, 2015** starting at 9:30 a.m. in the OEB's Offices at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto, Ontario to respond to questions by OEB staff and intervenors.
2. Any undertakings shall be filed with the OEB no later than **Tuesday, December 8, 2015**.
3. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, any written submission by OEB staff and intervenor(s) shall be filed with the OEB and delivered to all other parties by **Thursday, December 10, 2015**.
4. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, Hydro One may file a written reply submission with the OEB, and deliver it to intervenors by **Monday, December 14, 2015**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2015-0079, be made in searchable /unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at [www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/](http://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/). Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB'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 at [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry](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 [harold.thiessen@ontarioenergyboard.ca](mailto:harold.thiessen@ontarioenergyboard.ca) and OEB Counsel, Jennifer Lea at [jennifer.lea@ontarioenergyboard.ca](mailto:jennifer.lea@ontarioenergyboard.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **November 30, 2015**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj**

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**SCHEDULE A**  
**TO**  
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**HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.**  
**EB-2015-0079**  
**NOVEMBER 30, 2015**

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