

EB-2015-0052

Atikokan Hydro Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges effective May 1, 2016

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 December 4, 2015

Atikokan Hydro Inc. (Atikokan Hydro) filed a complete application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on September 23, 2015 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) and under the OEB's Filing Requirements for Incentive Regulation Rate Applications seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective May 1, 2016.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on November 17, 2015. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility in relation to Atikokan Hydro's earnings performance in 2014. No objection was received.

I approve the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition as an intervenor and have determined that VECC is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* in relation to Atikokan Hydro's issue outlined above.

The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this procedural order.

Parties are reminded to consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (as revised April 24, 2014) regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

I consider it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. I am making provision for written submissions following the filing of

interrogatory responses, unless the OEB orders otherwise during the course of the proceeding. The OEB may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. OEB staff and VECC shall request any information and material from Atikokan Hydro that is in addition to Atikokan Hydro's evidence and that is relevant to the hearing by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and delivered to Atikokan Hydro by **December 21, 2015.**
- 2. Atikokan Hydro shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to VECC by **January 19, 2016.**
- 3. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, any written submission by OEB staff and VECC shall be filed with the OEB and delivered to all other parties by **February 2, 2016**.
- 4. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, Atikokan Hydro may file a written reply submission with the OEB, and deliver it to VECC by **February 16, 2016.**

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2015-0052 and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at https://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 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, Kelli Benincasa at Kelli.Benincasa@ontarioenergyboard.ca and OEB Counsel, Richard Lanni at Richard.Lanni@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **December 4, 2015**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj Registrar

Schedule A

To

Procedural Order No. 1

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Applicant and List of Intervenors

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APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

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