



EB-2015-0173

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning November 1, 2016**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

April 25, 2016

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (Toronto Hydro) filed a complete application for approval of an ICM true-up amount of \$11.1 million and the resulting proposed rate rider with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on March 8, 2016 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 Toronto Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective November 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on March 30, 2016. Each of the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto (BOMA), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), School Energy Coalition (SEC), Sustainable Infrastructure Alliance of Ontario (SIA), and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Toronto Hydro.

I approve AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, SEC, SIA and VECC as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. I have also determined that AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, SEC, SIA and VECC are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

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.

Issues List

It is the OEB's expectation that parties will be best positioned to identify issues relevant to Toronto Hydro's application after the applicant has responded to interrogatories, and following a technical conference, should it be required. Toronto Hydro, OEB staff and the intervenors shall develop and OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list for the OEB's consideration.

Interrogatories

At this time, the OEB is making provision for written interrogatories.

Parties should not engage in detailed exploration of items that do not appear to be material. Parties should use the materiality thresholds documented in Chapter 2 of the Filing Requirements as a guide. In making its decision on cost awards, the OEB will consider whether intervenors made reasonable efforts to ensure that their participation in the hearing was focused on material issues.

Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's Rules of Practice and Procedure regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Toronto Hydro that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **May 6, 2016**.
2. Intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Toronto Hydro that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **May 10, 2016**.
3. Toronto Hydro shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors and OEB staff by **May 27, 2016**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2015-0173, 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 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, Martin Davies at martin.davies@ontarioenergyboard.ca and OEB Counsel, Maureen Helt at maureen.helt@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, April 25, 2016

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj
Registrar

SCHEDULE “A”

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