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



EB-2015-0089

## Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.

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

## INTERIM RATE ORDER April 29, 2016

Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. (Milton Hydro) filed a complete cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 28, 2015 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 Milton Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2016.

The oral hearing for this proceeding began on April 4, 2016 and the evidentiary portion of the hearing concluded with the filing of Milton Hydro's reply submissions on April 28, 2016.

In its application, Milton Hydro requested that, in the event the OEB were unable to issue a decision on the application by May 1, 2016, the OEB declare Milton Hydro's current rates interim from May 1, 2016 until the issuance of a final rate order.

The OEB's decision may not be issued until after May 1, 2016. Pursuant to s. 21(7) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the OEB is therefore declaring Milton Hydro's current approved distribution rates interim as of May 1, 2016 pending the OEB's final rate order. This determination is made without prejudice to the OEB's decision on the application, and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the OEB's final determination with regards to the effective date of rates arising from this application.

The OEB considers it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

 Milton Hydro's current approved distribution rates are declared interim as of May 1, 2016 and until such time as the OEB issues a final rate order.

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