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



EB-2016-0089

Lakefront Utilities Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2017

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 July 7, 2016

Lakefront Utilities Inc. (Lakefront Utilities) filed a complete cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on April 29, 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 Lakefront Utilities charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2017.

On June 29, 2016, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 setting out dates for various steps in the proceeding.

On July 4, 2016, Lakefront Utilities filed a letter indicating that there is a scheduling conflict with the proposed Settlement Conference dates. Lakefront Utilities requested that the OEB consider a change in the scheduled dates to August 22, 23 and 24th.

The OEB has considered this matter and has altered the dates for the Settlement Conference. All other procedural dates remain unchanged.

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

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Lakefront Utilities that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **July 11, 2016**.
- 2. Intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Lakefront Utilities that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **July 18, 2016**.
- Lakefront Utilities shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors and OEB staff by August 5, 2016.
- 4. Following the receipt of responses to interrogatories, OEB staff shall convene a teleconference among the parties to discuss the formation of an issues list. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the OEB in writing that the parties and OEB staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a draft issues list by **August 15, 2016**.
- A Settlement Conference among the parties and OEB staff will be convened on August 22, 2016 starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on August 23 and August 24, 2016.
- 6. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **September 16, 2016**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether the parties believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.
- 7. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties within 7 days from when a settlement proposal is filed.
- 8. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, Lakefront Utilities shall file a statement to that effect with the OEB by August 29, 2016. In that event, parties shall file and serve on the other parties by September 2, 2016 any submissions on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.

 Lakefront Utilities will present to the OEB any settlement proposal and a summary of any unsettled issues in the case on September 30, 2016 starting at 9:30am in the OEB's offices at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto, Ontario.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2016-0089, 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

<u>http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry</u>. 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, Georgette Vlahos at <u>georgette.vlahos@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at <u>ljuba.djurdjevic@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, July 7, 2016

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

Original signed by

Kristi Sebalj Registrar