

EB-2016-0061

Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2017

DECISION AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3 January 5, 2017

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. (Canadian Niagara Power) filed a complete cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on July 13, 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 Canadian Niagara Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2017.

On September 16, 2016, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 establishing initial steps in this proceeding.

On December 1, 2016, a partial settlement proposal was filed by Canadian Niagara Power with the OEB.

On December 14, 2016, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 2 establishing that an oral hearing on the remaining unsettled issues would commence on January 4, 2017.

The OEB accepts the partial settlement proposal.

On January 4, 2017, the hearing on the unsettled issues was held. At the end of the hearing, OEB staff was directed to work with the parties to determine a schedule for written argument. The schedule arising from these discussions is acceptable to the OEB and set out below.

THE OEB ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The partial settlement proposal filed by Canadian Niagara Power with the OEB on December 1, 2016 is accepted.
- 2. Canadian Niagara Power shall file its Argument-in Chief on the unsettled issues with the OEB and forward it to all parties on or before January 13, 2017.
- 3. OEB staff shall file its submission on the unsettled issues with the OEB and forward it to all parties on or before January 23, 2017.
- 4. Intervenors shall file any submissions on the unsettled issues with the OEB and forward them to all parties on or before January 25, 2017.
- 5. Canadian Niagara Power shall file its reply submission with the OEB and forward it to all parties on or before February 6, 2017.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2016-0061, 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.

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DATED at Toronto, January 5, 2017

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