

## ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. for an Order approving final rates for the distribution of electricity for the years 2018 and 2019.

### APPLICATION

1. The Applicant, Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. (OPUCN), is an Ontario corporation with its head office in the City of Oshawa. It carries on the business of distributing electricity within the City of Oshawa.
2. OPUCN applies to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB or Board), pursuant to section 78(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), for:
  - (a) An Order or Orders approving final rates for the distribution of electricity for each of the years commencing January 1, 2018 and January 1, 2019;
  - (b) Such final, interim or other orders and directions pursuant to the provisions of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and the *Boards Rules of Practice and Procedure* as may be appropriate in relation to the Application and the proper conduct of this proceeding.
3. OPUCN currently has approval for interim distribution rates for each of the years commencing January 1, 2018 and January 1, 2019, pursuant to a decision of the Board dated November 12, 2015 in EB-2014-0101 (2015 Decision).
4. In its 2015 Decision the Board set OPUCN's rates for the distribution of electricity for each of the years commencing January 1, 2015 (with an October 1, 2015 effective date), January 1, 2016 and January 1, 2017 on a final basis. The Board further determined that it would set OPUCN's rates for the distribution of electricity

for each of the years commencing January 1, 2018 and January 1, 2019 on an interim basis, and directed OPUCN to file an application no later than July 1, 2017 for review of a limited number of 2016 actual and forecast updates in order to adjust, if warranted, and finalize OPUCN's 2018 and 2019 rates. This is that application.

5. The average annual distribution rate increases for OPUCN's residential customers for each of 2018 and 2019 as approved by the Board on an interim basis are approximately as follows:

2018	4.25%	\$1.23/mo
2019	2.19%	\$0.66/mo

6. In the event that OPUCN's Application is approved by the Board, OPUCN's average distribution rates will decrease, relative to the rates established on an interim basis, as a result of; i) the limited number of 2016 actual and forecast updates contemplated in the 2015 Decision (including a working capital adjustment reflecting an updated cost of power forecast which includes the impacts of the Ontario Fair Hydro Plan); and ii) a request for clearance of OPUCN's Group 1 Deferral Accounts. For residential customers consuming 800 kwh per year, the distribution rate decrease relative to OPUCN's interim rates for each of 2018 and 2019 would be approximately as follows:

2018	(10.7%)	(\$2.81/mo)
2019	(4.8%)	(\$1.37/mo)

7. This Application will impact all customers of OPUCN. As it has in the past, OPUCN proposes to publish its Notice of Application in a public yet cost effective way by placing a copy in the local Oshawa paper of general circulation (Oshawa This Week).
8. OPUCN's Application and related documents may be viewed online at [www.opuc.on.ca](http://www.opuc.on.ca).

9. OPUCN requests that this Application be disposed of through a written hearing, pursuant to Rule 32 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, on the basis that it involves a limited number of well documented updates to rates already established on an interim basis.
10. OPUCN requests that a copy of every document filed with the Board in this proceeding be served on it and its counsel as follows:

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*As a senior officer of the Applicant, Oshawa PUC Networks Inc., I certify that the evidence filed in support of this Application is accurate, consistent and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

**DATED** at Oshawa, Ontario, July 4, 2017.

**OSHAWA PUC NETWORKS INC.**



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