

# Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.

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Wednesday, August 02, 2017

Ms. Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary** Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli

RE: EB-2017-0032 Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. Notice of Application and Hearing per 2018 Rate **Application** 

Please find enclosed the original signed affidavit evidence for our Notice of Application and Hearing relating to our 2018 Cost of Service application.

I trust this completes all the requirements in the *Letter of Direction*, dated July 27, 2017.

Sincerely,

Florence Thiessen, CPA, CGA

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Vice President/Treasurer

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd Phone: 519-843-2900 ext. 225

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CANADA	)	IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy
	)	Board Act, 1998
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO	)	
	)	AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by
TOWNSHIP OF CENTRE	)	Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. (CWH) for 2018
WELLINGTON	)	Distribution Rates
	)	
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TO WIT:	)	

I, WAYNE DYCE, of the Township of Centre Wellington, in the County of Wellington, MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. I am employed as President of Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. ("CWH").
- 2. In accordance with paragraph 1(ai) of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction dated July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Notice was sent directly to all microFit customers in conjunction with a cover letter. The cover letter and Notice are attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 'A'.
- 3. In accordance with paragraph 1(aii) of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction dated July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Notice was sent directly to all customers and customer groups that pay a charge to access Centre Wellington Hydro's power poles in conjunction with a cover letter. The cover letter and Notice are attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 'B'.
- 4. In accordance with paragraph 1(aiii) of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction dated July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Notice was sent via email to all intervenors of record in Centre Wellington Hydro's previous Cost of Service proceeding. The form of notice sent to the intervenor is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 'C'.
- 3. In accordance with paragraph 1(b) of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction dated July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Centre Wellington Hydro confirms that appropriate permissions are not in place to send additional information to customers. However, Centre Wellington Hydro did include the message in paragraph 1(bi) on their Customer Connect site, which is where customers go online to see their consumption and invoices on August 1, 2017. The form of notice posted to Centre Wellington Hydro's Customer Connect is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 'D'.
- 4. In accordance with paragraph 2 of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction dated July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, I certify a copy of the Notice, the application and evidence and any amendments thereto, are available for public review at the offices of Centre Wellington Hydro as well as the form of notice accompanying the Letter of

Direction and a copy of the Application and evidence was posted on the CWH website on August 1st, 2017. The form of notice posted on CWH's website is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 'E'.

In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Board's EB-2017-0032 Letter of Direction 5. dated July 27th, 2017, Centre Wellington Hydro confirms that they do not have a twitter account and therefore no tweet was sent out.

SWORN before me at the Township of Centre Wellington, in the County of Wellington this August 2, 2017

Lisa Miller, a Commissioner, Deputy Clerk, Township of Centre Wellington

# Appendix A – Notice for all microFit customers

The letter and notice following this page were mailed to all microFit customers. Names and address have not been included.



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Monday, July 31, 2017

<<Address>>

Dear Sir or Madam,

RE: EB-2017-0032 Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. Notice of Application and Hearing per 2018 Rate Application

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. is applying for an increase regarding the monthly service charge for MicroFit Generation Accounts effective January 1, 2018. Centre Wellington Hydro has on record that you have a MicroFit account at <<Service address>>.

The Ontario Energy Board requires that Centre Wellington Hydro notify you directly of the current application. Please see the insert included with this letter for information of how you can learn more about this application and how you can participate in this process.

Regards

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# ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF CENTRE WELLINGTON HYDRO LTD.

# Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. has applied to raise its electricity distribution rates and other charges.

## Learn more. Have your say.

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2018. If the application is approved, a typical residential customer of Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. would see an increase of approximately \$2.55 per month. Other customers, including businesses, may also be affected.

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. has also applied to increase the microFIT service charge and implement the service charge for access to its power poles following the outcome of an ongoing pole attachment policy review. It is important to review the application carefully to determine whether you may be affected by these changes.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A COMMUNITY MEETING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is hosting a meeting on September 21, 2017 at the Centre Wellington Community Sportsplex, 550 Belsyde Ave. E., Fergus, Ontario from 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) so that you can:

- · Learn more about Centre Wellington Hydro's costs and rate application
- Find out how the OEB will review the application
- Get involved and provide your comments about the application to the OEB

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The OEB will hold a public hearing to consider the application filed by Centre Wellington Hydro. During the hearing, we will question Centre Wellington Hydro on its case for a rate increase. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual customers and from groups that represent Centre Wellington Hydro's customers. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide what, if any, rate increase will be allowed.

Distributors such as Centre Wellington Hydro typically apply for a full review of their rates every five years. Any rate changes for the years in between are made by applying an OEB-approved formula which is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency. You may not get notice of future rate changes made by applying the formula

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

#### BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Centre Wellington Hydro's application on the OEB's website now.
- You can attend the OEB's community meeting (date, time and place set out above) where you can ask
  questions, make comments and voice your concerns.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
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  ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

### **LEARN MORE**

These proposed charges relate to Centre Wellington Hydro's distribution services. They make up part of the Delivery line - one of the five line items on your bill. Our file number for this case is **EB-2017-0032**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please select the file number **EB-2017-0032** from the list on the OEB website: **www.oeb.ca/notice.** You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

## **ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. Centre Wellington Hydro has applied for a written hearing. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **August 21, 2017.** 

#### **PRIVACY**

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This rate hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).



# Appendix B – Notice for customers and customer groups that pay a charge to access Centre Wellington Hydro's power poles

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Ontario Energy Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

# Appendix C – Notice to Intervenor

See the following email on the next page.

From:

manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca

To:

"Mark Garner"

Cc:

Heather Dowling; ckhoo@piac.ca; "Bill Harper"

Subject:

FW: Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd EB-2017-0032 Notice of Hearing 2018 Distribution Rates

Date:

August-01-17 11:57:54 AM

Attachments:

LoD Notice Centre Wellington Hydro 20170727.PDF

Hi Mark,

Please see Centre Wellington Hydro's note below regarding their LoD Notice.

If you have any questions or concerns, Heather (cc'd on this email) will be happy to assist.

Manuela

### Manuela Ris-Schofield

e-mail: manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca tel: 519-856-0080 / mobile: 416-562-9295

**From:** Heather Dowling [mailto:hdowling@cwhydro.ca]

**Sent:** July 31, 2017 3:33 PM

To: mjanigan@piac.ca

Cc: Florence Thiessen <a href="fthiessen@cwhydro.ca">fthiessen@cwhydro.ca</a>; Michael Buonaguro <a href="mrb@mrb-law.com">mrb@mrb-law.com</a>

(mrb@mrb-law.com) <mrb@mrb-law.com>; Manuela Schofield

<manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca>; 'Fiona.OConnell@oeb.ca' <Fiona.OConnell@oeb.ca>;

BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca

Subject: Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd EB-2017-0032 Notice of Hearing 2018 Distribution Rates

Hi Michael

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. filed its 2018 Cost of Service with the OEB on May 1, 2017, and as a previous intervenor, I am writing to tell you that the application is now on the OEB's website.

The OEB file number is EB-2017-0032.

I don't believe a paper copy needs to be sent to you, however, if you require one, please let me know.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you

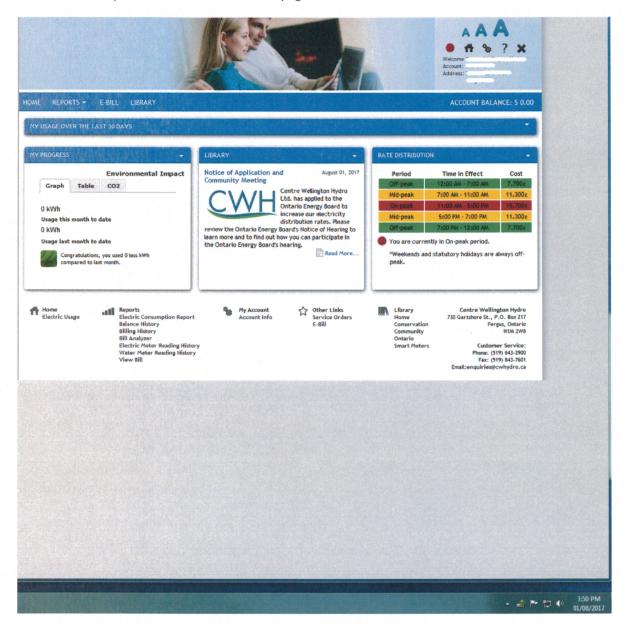
Heather Dowling, CPA, CGA Manager of Finance/Regulatory Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. 519-843-2900 ext 229

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of the addressee, you are notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify Heather Dowling by email at dowling@cwhydro.ca.

## Appendix D - Customer Connect Confirmation

Under the Library section in the middle of the page.



## **Appendix E- Website confirmation**

