

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning May 1, 2018

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 June 8, 2018

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. (SLHI) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 27, 2017 (updated January 8, 2018) 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 SLHI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2018.

SLHI's 2018 rebasing application is being considered under the OEB's proportionate review approach. The proportionate review process is intended to allow for a streamlined hearing of applications where it is appropriate.

OEB staff filed its Report to the Registrar on February 14, 2018, which set out OEB staff's recommendations as to the issues that it believed should proceed to a hearing. The OEB issued its Decision on Scope of Review (the Decision) on March 29, 2018. In the Decision, the OEB determined that five issues would proceed to an abridged hearing process in which an opportunity for written submissions would be provided. The OEB attached an approved issues list to the Decision.¹

A Notice of Hearing was issued on April 5, 2018. The Consumers Council of Canada (CCC) and the School Energy Coalition (SEC) applied for intervenor status. The Notice of Hearing set out that cost awards would not be available for participation in the hearing.

¹ EB-2017-0073, Decision on Scope of Review, March 29, 2018, Schedule A.

CCC and SEC are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order.

As part of its Notice of Intervention, dated April 11, 2018, SEC requested that incremental information be placed on the record of the proceeding. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) filed a letter, dated April 18, 2018, which supported SEC's request for additional information. VECC's letter also explained why it decided not to seek intervenor status in the current proceeding.

The OEB will respond to the requests set out in SEC's April 11, 2018 Notice of Intervention in separate correspondence.

In accordance with the Decision, the OEB has set out the deadlines for the filing of written submissions and SLHI's reply submission below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. OEB staff and intervenors who wish to file written submissions on the application shall file those submissions with the OEB, and deliver the submissions to SLHI and all intervenors, by **June 27, 2018.**
- 2. If SLHI wishes to reply to the submissions of other parties, the response shall be filed with the OEB, and delivered to all intervenors, by **July 18, 2018.**

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2017-0073, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at https://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.oeb.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 Registrar 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, Lawrie Gluck at lawrie.gluck@oeb.ca and Counsel, Lawren Murray at lawren.murray@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **June 8, 2018**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Kristi Sebalj

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Kristi Sebalj Registrar

Schedule A

To

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