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



EB-2018-0124

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd.

Application for approvals to amalgamate and continue operations as a single electricity distribution company

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 July 23, 2018

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. (Thunder Bay Hydro) and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. (Kenora Hydro) (the Applicants), filed an application on April 12, 2018 under sections 18, 60, 77(5) and 86(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) (the Act) for approval to amalgamate and continue operations as a single electricity distribution company (LDC Mergco). The Applicants are asking the OEB to approve:

- The amalgamation of Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora Hydro pursuant to section 86(1)(c) of the Act
- A new electricity distribution licence for LDC Mergeco pursuant to section 60 of the Act
- Transfer of the electricity distribution licences and rate orders of each of Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora Hydro to LDC Mergeco pursuant to section 18 of the Act
- Cancellation of the electricity distribution licences of each of Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora Hydro immediately following the issuance of an electricity distribution licence for LDC Mergeco pursuant to section 77(5) of the Act

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on June 22, 2018. The last date for applying for intervenor status was July 9, 2018. No applications for intervenor status were received.

Interrogatories

At this time, provision will be made for written interrogatories. Interrogatories should be relevant and material to the OEB's review of a consolidation application.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The OEB may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. OEB staff shall request any information and material from the Applicants that is in addition to the evidence already filed and that is relevant to the hearing by written interrogatories filed with the OEB by **August 3, 2018.**
- 2. The Applicants shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories by **August 17, 2018.**

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2018-0124** and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. 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.oeb.ca/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 or USB 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, Andrew Bishop at <u>Andrew.Bishop@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at <u>james.sidlofsky@oeb.ca</u>.

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