

### **Alectra Utilities Corporation**

# Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2019

### PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 August 10, 2018

Alectra Utilities Corporation (Alectra Utilities) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on June 7, 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 Alectra Utilities charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2019.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on July 18, 2018. Each of Association of Major Power Consumers Ontario (AMPCO), Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Alectra Utilities.

AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, Energy Probe, SEC, and VECC are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* and only in relation to the issues the OEB has determined it will allow costs.

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party, unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

### Interrogatories

At this time, provision will be made for written interrogatories.

Parties should not engage in detailed exploration of items that do not appear to be material. Parties should use the materiality thresholds documented in Chapter 2 of the Filing Requirements as a guide. In making its decision on cost awards, the OEB will consider whether intervenors made reasonable efforts to ensure that their participation in the hearing was focused on material issues.

Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's Rules of Practice and Procedure regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Alectra Utilities that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **August 22, 2018**.
- Intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Alectra Utilities that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on all parties by August 24, 2018.
- Alectra Utilities shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors and OEB staff by September 14, 2018.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0016, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at <a href="https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/">https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</a>. 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 <a href="http://www.oeb.ca/OEB/Industry">http://www.oeb.ca/OEB/Industry</a>. 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, Donald Lau at <a href="mailto:donald.lau@oeb.ca">donald.lau@oeb.ca</a> and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at <a href="mailto:lawren.murray@oeb.ca">lawren.murray@oeb.ca</a>.

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**DATED** at Toronto, August 10, 2018

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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Rudra Mukherji Associate Registrar

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