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



EB-2018-0119

Independent Electricity System Operator / Hydro One Networks Inc.

Application For Review of North American Electric Reliability Standard TPL-007-2

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 September 11, 2018

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) and Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) have filed a joint application requesting that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) review the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Reliability Standard TPL-007-2 - Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (the Proposed Standard) under section 36.2(3) of the *Electricity Act, 1998* (Act).

The Proposed Standard is currently being reviewed by the United States' Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and is not yet in force. If FERC ultimately approves the Proposed Standard, certain participants in the Bulk Electricity System (primarily Transmitters) will be required to implement the Proposed Standard by a specific date.

The IESO and Hydro One (the Joint Applicants) do not believe that the Proposed Standard reflects the unique topology of the Canadian Shield. As a result, in addition to filing this application, the IESO and Hydro One have also submitted a standard authorization request (SAR) to the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) to seek a variance of the Proposed Standard. The SAR process is ongoing.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing for the application on May 18, 2018.

In response to the Notice of Hearing, the OEB received intervenor requests from the Electricity Distributors Association (EDA) and NERC. In their intervention requests, the EDA and NERC outlined their respective interests in the application. Neither of the proposed intervenors is seeking an award of costs. No objections were received from the IESO or Hydro One in relation to either of the intervention requests.

Intervenor status is hereby granted to the EDA and NERC. A list of parties is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order.

Request to Stay Operation of the Proposed Standard

As part of their application, the IESO and Hydro One have requested that the OEB stay the operation of the Proposed Standard in Ontario.

The Act does not provide for an automatic stay of the Proposed Standard. Section 36.2(6) sets out criteria that the OEB shall consider in determining whether to stay the operation of a reliability standard. The OEB seeks submissions from the parties on these criteria and whether the Proposed Standard should be stayed in Ontario pending the OEB's determination of the application filed by the IESO and Hydro One. This Procedural Order sets out a schedule for submissions on the stay issue.

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.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. OEB staff, Intervenors and the Joint Applicants may file submissions on the request to stay operation of TPL-007-2 with the OEB and deliver them to all parties by **September 26, 2018**.
- 2. OEB staff, Intervenors and the Joint Applicants may file a response to the submissions filed by all other parties with the OEB and deliver it to all parties no later than **October 10, 2018**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2018-0119**, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically 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, 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/OEB/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 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, Michael Bell at <u>Michael.Bell@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at <u>Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, September 11, 2018

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Schedule A

Applicant and List of Intervenors to Procedural Order No. 1

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