



Alectra Utilities Corporation

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2019

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 September 24, 2018

Alectra Utilities Corporation (Alectra Utilities) filed an 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.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 (PO1) which granted the Association of Major Power Consumers Ontario, Building Owners and Managers Association, Consumers Council of Canada, Energy Probe Research Foundation, School Energy Coalition and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition intervenor status and cost eligibility. PO1 also set out procedural steps for OEB staff and intervenors to ask interrogatories and for Alectra Utilities to respond to the interrogatories. Alectra Utilities filed the interrogatory responses on September 17, 2018.

The OEB is scheduling a settlement conference at this time. The OEB will issue further procedural direction once the outcome of the settlement conference has been determined, including whether any unsettled issues will be dealt with orally, or in writing.

The OEB's Notice of Application established that cost awards would only be available for three issues. The OEB clarifies that those issues include:

- the balances and disposition of the deferral accounts related to the change in capitalization policy for each of the Brampton and Enersource rate zones
- the earnings sharing mechanism for the Horizon rate zone, including the effect on it from the change in capitalization policy

- the increment capital modules for each of the Enersource and PowerStream rate zones

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. A Settlement Conference among the parties and OEB staff will be convened on **October 16, 2018** starting at 9:30 A.M, at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on **October 17, 2018**.
2. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB by **October 31, 2018**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether the parties believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.
3. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **November 7, 2018**.
4. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, Alectra Utilities shall file a statement to that effect with the OEB by **October 24, 2018**. In that event, parties shall file and serve on other parties by **October 31, 2018** any submissions on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.

DATED at Toronto, **September 24, 2018**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Board Secretary