



EB-2018-0079

Whitby Hydro Electric Corporation

**Application for electricity distribution rates beginning
January 1, 2019**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1
October 25, 2018**

Whitby Hydro Electric Corporation (Whitby Hydro) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on September 13, 2018 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2019.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on October 1, 2018. The OEB did not receive any requests for intervenor status.

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 Whitby Hydro that is in addition to Whitby Hydro's evidence and that is relevant to the hearing by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and delivered to Whitby Hydro by **November 7, 2018**.
2. Whitby Hydro shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories by **November 14, 2018**.

3. A Settlement Conference among Whitby Hydro and OEB staff will be convened on **November 21, 2018** starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor, Toronto.
4. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **December 5, 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.
5. Should Whitby Hydro and/or OEB staff believe any unsettled issue should be dealt with by way of an oral hearing, the OEB will make a determination in that regard, and it will establish a timeline for the remainder of this proceeding. In the absence of such a request, the OEB will proceed by way of a written hearing for any unsettled issues. In that event, any written submission by OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and delivered to Whitby Hydro, by **December 18, 2018**; and Whitby Hydro shall file its written reply submission, if any, by **January 9, 2019**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0079 and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <https://www.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 <https://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 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, Kelli Benincasa at Kelli.Benincasa@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Richard Lanni at Richard.Lanni@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, October 25, 2018

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