

EB-2018-0165

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2020 until December 31, 2024

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 October 25, 2018

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (Toronto Hydro) filed a 5-year Custom Incentive Rate-setting application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 15, 2018 (updated September 14, 2018) under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to its distribution rates, to be effective January 1, 2020 and for each following year through to December 31, 2024.

A Notice of Hearing (Notice) was issued on September 28, 2018.

OEB Consumer Engagement

The OEB will hold five in-person community meetings throughout Toronto Hydro's service territory and one city-wide webinar. The goals of the meetings are to provide customers with information both on the OEB's rate hearing process and on the specific application filed by Toronto Hydro, and to hear directly from customers about the requested rate changes proposed in the current application. The schedule for the community meetings is as follows:

- November 22, 2018 (3:30 pm and 6:30 pm), North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St.
- November 26, 2018 (6:30 pm), Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Drive
- December 4, 2018 (6:30 pm), Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor St.
- December 5, 2018 (6:30 pm), Royal Canadian Legion, 110 Jutland Drive
- December 6, 2018 (6:30 pm), Webinar (Online)

Intervention and Cost Eligibility Requests

The following parties applied for intervenor status:

- Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario (AMPCO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto (BOMA)
- Consumers Council of Canada (CCC)
- Distributed Resource Coalition (DRC)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- Power Workers' Union (PWU)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, DRC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC also applied for cost award eligibility.

No objection was received from Toronto Hydro.

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

The OEB will consider intervention requests from participants at the OEB community meetings.

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.

Intervenors are advised to review the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* for further information about what categories of costs and disbursements may be eligible for recovery. It should also be noted that being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed. Cost awards are made by way of an OEB order, typically at the end of a hearing.

Confidentiality

By letters dated August 15, 2018 and September 28, 2018 and pursuant to the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings*, Toronto Hydro requested confidential treatment for certain information in the following documents:

- Personal information contained in corporate income tax returns
 - Exhibit 4B, Tab 2, Schedule 3, Form T661, Part 1 and Part 2
 - Exhibit 4B, Tab 2, Schedule 3, T2 Summary, Schedules 31, 550, 552 and 569
- Business numbers contained in corporate income tax returns
 - Exhibit 4B, Tab 2, Schedule 3, Form T661, Part 1, Part 2 and Part 9
 - Exhibit 4B, Tab 2, Schedule 3, T2 Summary, Schedules 1,2, 5-10, 23, 31, 33, 50, 53, 500, 508, 510, 511, 546, 550, 552, 568 and 569
- Commercially sensitive and proprietary information contained in corporate income tax returns
 - Exhibit 4B, Tab 2, Schedule 3, Form T661, Parts 2-8
- Cost difference between internal and external construction projects
 - Exhibit 1B, Tab 2, Schedule 2, p. 22
- Information posing security and safety-related risks
 - Exhibit 2B, Section E8.1, pp. 1-2, 5-9,12, 15, 17-18, 20-29, Appendix A, pp. 4,
 6, 8 and Appendix B
 - Exhibit 2B, Section E8.2, pp. 1, 3, 16-18, 20, 22, 24-26
- Datasets and models underpinning the Power Systems Engineering Inc.'s Econometric Benchmarking Report.

In accordance with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings*, Toronto Hydro has provided reasons for the confidentiality request, including reasons why public disclosure of the information would be contrary to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and why public disclosure of the information would be detrimental to Toronto Hydro and third parties identified in the documents.

At this time, provision will be made for the filing of submissions on Toronto Hydro's request for confidentiality. Counsel and consultants for intervenors that wish to make submissions on the request for confidentiality shall be granted access to the unredacted documents provided they have executed the OEB's Declaration and Undertaking. The signed Declaration and Undertaking shall be filed with the OEB and a

copy shall be delivered to Toronto Hydro. If Toronto Hydro objects to a Declaration and Undertaking, the objection shall be filed with the OEB and copied to the relevant party within 5 days from the receipt of the Declaration and Undertaking. The relevant party shall file its reply, if any, with the OEB and deliver a copy to Toronto Hydro, within 5 days from the receipt of the objection.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Counsel and consultants for intervenors that wish to make submissions on the request for confidentiality shall be granted access to the un-redacted documents provided they have executed the OEB's Declaration and Undertaking. The signed Declaration and Undertaking shall be filed with the OEB and a copy shall be delivered to Toronto Hydro. If Toronto Hydro objects to a Declaration and Undertaking, the objection shall be filed with the OEB and copied to the relevant party within 5 days from the receipt of the Declaration and Undertaking. The relevant party shall file its reply, if any, with the OEB and deliver a copy to Toronto Hydro, within 5 days from the receipt of the objection.
- 2. OEB staff and intervenors who wish to make written submissions on Toronto Hydro's confidentiality requests shall file such submissions with the OEB, and serve them on Toronto Hydro and all other intervenors, by **November 7, 2018**.
- 3. If Toronto Hydro wishes to respond to any of the submissions, the reply submission shall be filed with the OEB and served on all intervenors by **November 13, 2018**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2018-0165**, be made in searchable / unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at https://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/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 USB flash drive 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, Lawrie Gluck at lawrie.gluck@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at michael.millar@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, October 25, 2018

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Rudra Mukherji

Original signed by

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