

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF *the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O.1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);*

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by y PUC Distribution Inc. for an Order of Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other changes, effective May 1, 2019

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

OF THE

SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION

1. The School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) applies for intervenor status in this proceeding.
1. SEC is a frequent intervenor in Board proceedings. Our current Annual Filing can be found on the Board’s website, here:

<http://www.rds.oeb.ca/HPECMWebDrawer/Record/589545/File/document>
2. The School Energy Coalition intends to apply for recovery of its costs reasonably incurred in the course of its intervention in this matter. SEC has participated in many past natural gas and electricity proceedings in Ontario, including consultations, rate cases, and other processes and hearings, and has been found eligible to be paid its reasonably incurred costs in all of those proceedings.

Issues to be Addressed

3. SEC’s intended participation will focus on the following issues:
 - a. The request for an Incremental Capital Module (“ICM”) for the first phase of the proposed Sault Smart Grid project; and
 - b. Generally to represent the interests of school boards and their students in this process.

The Intervenor's Intended Participation

4. SEC intends to participate in any pre-hearing procedures, including interrogatories or technical conferences, and settlement conferences. SEC also intends to participate in any oral hearing of this matter, and in written or oral submissions, as well as any other parts of the process that the Board should order.
5. The proposed Sault Smart Grid project is of a type that is unique for an ICM, is of a significant magnitude compared to the forecast 2018-2022 capital expenditures in the Applicant’s most recent Distribution System Plan, and is multi-year in nature. In light of this, SEC requests the Board consider a more expansive discovery process than would otherwise be schedule for an ICM application.

Nature of Hearing Requested

6. Until interrogatories have been answered, we believe it is premature to assess whether a written or an oral hearing is more appropriate in this proceeding.

Counsel/Representative

7. SEC requests that a copy of all documents filed with the Board by each party to this proceeding be served on the intervenor, and on the intervenor's counsel, as follows:

- a. School Energy Coalition: **(electronic copies only)**

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the School Energy Coalition this March 13 2019.

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