



Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning May 1, 2019

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 March 21, 2019

Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation (Chapleau Public Utilities) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 31, 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 Chapleau Public Utilities charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2019. The application was updated on November 26, 2018.

Procedural Order No. 1, which set out dates for various steps in the proceeding, was issued on February 7, 2019.

Extension of Date of Filing Interrogatory Responses

The OEB received a letter from Chapleau Public Utilities on March 13, 2019 requesting an extension to the interrogatory responses filing deadline from March 21, 2019, as established in Procedural Order No. 1, to April 4, 2019.

The OEB grants the requested extension and the revised dates are shown below. Please be advised that changes to the case schedule could affect the timing of the OEB's decision in the application.

Approval of OEB Staff as a Party in this Proceeding

Procedural Order No. 1 also indicated that the OEB may provide, in accordance with the *Practice Direction on Settlement Conferences*, that OEB staff be a party to the Settlement Conference and any resulting settlement proposal.

The OEB has determined that OEB staff will be a party to the Settlement Conference and any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Chapleau Public Utilities shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all parties by **April 4, 2019**.
- 2. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the OEB in writing that the parties and OEB staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a draft issues list by **April 10, 2019**.
- 3. A Settlement Conference among Chapleau Public Utilities, Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition, and OEB staff will be convened on **April 17, 2019** starting at 9:30 a.m., at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto. If necessary, the Settlement Conference will continue on **April 18, 2019** at 9:30 am.
- 4. Any settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **May 15**, **2019**. 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. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the Settlement Conference, Chapleau Public Utilities shall file a statement to that effect with the OEB by April 24, 2019. In that event, parties shall file and serve on the other parties by May 1, 2019 any submissions on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.
- 6. The OEB is setting a tentative date of **May 22, 2019** starting at 1 p.m. at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto, for Chapleau Public Utilities to present to the OEB any settlement proposal and a summary of any unsettled issues in the case. OEB staff will, at the direction of the OEB, confirm or amend this date in subsequent correspondence.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0087, 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 http://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 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, Fiona O'Connell at Fiona.OConnell@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, March 21, 2019

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