

**PUC Distribution Inc.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other  
charges effective May 1, 2019**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2  
May 3, 2019**

PUC Distribution Inc. (PUC Distribution) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on January 31, 2019 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 May 1, 2019. The OEB completed its preliminary review and commenced processing the application on February 6, 2019.

A Notice of Hearing (Notice) was issued on March 7, 2019. The OEB's Notice indicated that cost awards in this proceeding would be considered for those items that are in accordance with the Practice Direction on Cost Awards and only in relation to PUC Distribution's proposal for incremental capital funding.

Procedural Order No. 1, issued on April 4, 2019, approved each of the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC), the School Energy Coalition (SEC), as cost eligible intervenors in this proceeding. Procedural Order No. 1 set out dates for interrogatories by parties and OEB staff, and interrogatory responses by PUC Distribution Inc.

Given the complexity of the incremental capital funding proposal and the relatively mechanistic IRM portion of the application, the OEB finds it appropriate to bifurcate the two parts of this application. The OEB will deal with the mechanistic IRM portion of the application by written hearing. As noted above, Procedural Order No. 1 only set out dates until the responses to interrogatories are due to be filed by PUC Distribution.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. A further procedural order will be issued by the OEB with respect to the incremental capital funding proposal following a review of the interrogatory responses.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

1. Any written submission by OEB staff and intervenors on the IRM portion of the application shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties by May 31, 2019.
2. PUC Distribution may file a written reply submission on the above noted portion with the OEB, and served on all intervenors by June 7, 2019.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0219, 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 memory stick 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 Registrar 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, Georgette Vlahos at [georgette.vlahos@oeb.ca](mailto:georgette.vlahos@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at [ljuba.djurdjevic@oeb.ca](mailto:ljuba.djurdjevic@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **May 3, 2019**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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