

BY EMAIL

July 3, 2019

To: All Parties in EB-2016-0315

Re: Implementation of the Ontario Energy Board Decision to Eliminate the Hydro One Networks Inc. Distribution Seasonal Rate Class - Request for Extension

In its March 12, 2015 Decision on the Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) Distribution Rates application,<sup>1</sup> the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) determined that Hydro One's seasonal class should be eliminated and existing seasonal class customers reclassified according to their density.

The OEB directed Hydro One to bring forward a plan for the elimination of its seasonal class. Hydro One filed its "Report on Elimination of the Seasonal Class" (the Report) on August 4, 2015.

In its Notice of Proceeding dated November 10, 2016, the OEB initiated a proceeding under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to consider the remaining steps for the elimination of Hydro One's seasonal rate class. The OEB ordered Hydro One to update the Report as part of this process. Hydro One filed an updated Report on December 1, 2016.

On April 17, 2019, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 2, which established that Hydro One was to file an updated report on the elimination of the seasonal class no later than three weeks after the issuance of the final rate order for the EB-2017-0049 distribution rates proceeding. As the final (revised) rate order was issued on June 11, 2019, this established July 2, 2019 as the filing date for the updated report.

On June 27, 2019, Hydro One filed a letter with the OEB advising that it would not be able to meet this filing date given that there was a significant amount of work required to

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update the report to reflect the EB-2017-0049 Decision and because the same resources working on the report update have also been engaged in a number of other active proceedings. Hydro One stated that it was working diligently to complete the updated report as soon as possible and anticipated being able to file the updated report the week of July 15, 2019.

The OEB grants this request on the basis that it is reasonable given the circumstances outlined by Hydro One. The OEB will expect the updated report to be filed no later than July 19, 2019.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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