

EB-2018-0242

Peterborough Distribution Inc. Peterborough Utilities Services Inc. Hydro One Networks Inc. 1937680 Ontario Inc.

Application for approval to amalgamate Peterborough Distribution Inc. and Peterborough Utilities Services Inc. and to sell the amalgamated electricity distribution system to Hydro One Networks Inc.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 5 July 18, 2019

Peterborough Distribution Inc. (PDI), Peterborough Utilities Services Inc. (PUSI), Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) and 1937680 Ontario Inc. (collectively, the Applicants) filed an application on October 12, 2018, under sections 86(1)(c), 86(1)(a), 78, 18, 77(5) and 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), requesting approval to amalgamate PDI and PUSI, sell the amalgamated corporation to 1937680 Ontario Inc. (a Hydro One Inc. subsidiary) which would in turn dispose of the distribution system to Hydro One. An amended application was filed on November 1, 2018.

To enable the proposed transaction, the Applicants requested various OEB approvals.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 4 on July 5, 2019, which established a schedule for a technical conference for both the Hydro One – PDI (EB-2018-0242) and Hydro One – Orillia Power Distribution Corporation (EB-2018-0270) applications. Following the issuance of Procedural Order No. 4, Hydro One filed a letter with the OEB advising that representatives able to respond to questions at the technical conference scheduled for July 29 and 30, 2019 are not available until the week of August 26, 2019, at the earliest. As a result, Hydro One requested that the technical conference be rescheduled to dates during the week of August 26, 2019 or later (with the exclusion of the week of September 16).

After the filing of the letter from Hydro One, other parties identified constraints in terms of their availability to attend a technical conference at a revised date. The revised technical conference schedule established in this procedural order accounts, as best as possible, for the availability of all parties.

The OEB is cancelling the timelines established in Procedural Order No. 4.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The OEB may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The technical conference and associated schedule established in Procedural Order No. 4 for the technical conference on July 29 and 30, 2019 are cancelled.
- 2. A transcribed technical conference will be held on October 3, 2019 starting at 9:30 a.m. in the OEB's Offices at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th floor, Toronto to clarify matters arising from the interrogatories only. If required, the technical conference will continue on October 4, 2019. Parties intending to participate are to notify the Applicants, and copy all parties, of the topic areas for questioning on both EB-2018-0242 and EB-2018-0270 proceedings by September 3, 2019.
- 3. Any technical conference undertakings shall be filed with the OEB no later than **October 18, 2019**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2018-0242** and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address, 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 <u>http://www.oeb.ca/Industry</u>. 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 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, Andrew Bishop at <u>Andrew.Bishop@oeb.ca</u>, and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar at <u>Michael.Millar@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto July 18, 2019

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