

Algoma Power Inc.

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning January 1, 2020**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2
August 15, 2019**

Algoma Power Inc. (Algoma Power) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on May 17, 2019 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 Algoma Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2020.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 on July 3, 2019 that, among other things, set a schedule for various steps in this proceeding.

Confidentiality

By letter filed August 14, 2019 and pursuant to the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings* (Practice Direction), Algoma Power requested confidential treatment for documents and associated appendices in two interrogatory responses related to its proposed Sault Ste. Marie facility:

1. Cost breakdown provided in response to 2-Staff-29
2. Cost breakdown provided in response to 2-Staff-30

Algoma Power has provided reasons for the confidentiality request, including reasons why public disclosure of the information would jeopardize the competitive tendering process for its proposed facility. Algoma Power notes that it is in the process of preparing a conditional offer to purchase the preferred property and believes that public disclosure of the redacted information could impair its ability to acquire the preferred property at competitive market rates. Algoma Power states that it has made every effort to keep the amount of redacted information to a minimum by redacting specific information only.

The Practice Direction provides that any party to a proceeding may object to the request for confidentiality by filing a written objection. This Procedural Order addresses the process for receiving such objections. Subsequent to any submissions received pursuant to this Procedural Order, the OEB intends to make its findings with respect to Algoma Power's claim for confidentiality.

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. OEB staff and intervenors shall file any written submissions concerning the request for confidential treatment of the document for which Algoma Power is claiming confidentiality with the OEB and delivered to Algoma Power and all other intervenors on or before **August 20, 2019**. Submissions should comply with the Practice Direction, specifically sections 5.1.6 and 5.1.7.
2. Algoma Power shall file with the OEB and deliver to all intervenors any reply submissions relating to the confidentiality request, pursuant to section 5.1.8 of the Practice Direction on or before **August 22, 2019**.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2019-0019**, 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, Birgit Armstrong at Birgit.Armstrong@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at James.Sidlofsky@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **August 15, 2019**

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