

EB-2019-0032

EnWin Utilities Ltd.

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

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4 & DECISION ON CONFIDENTIALITY

September 30, 2019

EnWin Utilities Ltd. (EnWin Utilities) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on April 26, 2019 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that EnWin Utilities charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2020.

Procedural Order No. 1 was issued on June 21, 2019 which, among other things, granted intervenor status to each of Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario, Consumers Council of Canada, School Energy Coalition and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition. A settlement conference was held on August 22 and 23, 2019. On September 24, 2019, in accordance with Procedural Order No. 3, EnWin Utilities filed a settlement proposal with the OEB.

The Unsettled Issue

The settlement proposal reflects a settlement of all issues except for EnWin Utilities' proposal to eliminate the Intermediate rate class and transfer the customers currently in that class to the GS 50 - 4999 kW rate class.

The settlement proposal indicates that the parties to the settlement suggest that a written hearing would be the most efficient way to resolve the unsettled issue. It further sets out a suggested timeline for the exchange of written submissions.

The OEB agrees that a written hearing, and the timeline proposed by the parties to the settlement, is appropriate.

Presentation Day Cancelled

Procedural Order No. 1 tentatively scheduled October 4, 2019 for EnWin Utilities "to present to the OEB any settlement proposal and a summary of any unsettled issues in the case". The OEB has reviewed the settlement proposal and does not find it necessary to proceed with the Presentation Day.

Confidentiality

In its cover letter enclosing the settlement proposal, EnWin Utilities requested confidential treatment for parts of Appendix F to the settlement proposal. EnWin Utilities stated that the redactions to this document contain information about a Large Use customer, including its name, address, account numbers and rate classes.

In its cover letter enclosing the responses to pre-settlement conference clarification questions, EnWin Utilities requested confidential treatment for parts of Appendix C to the pre-settlement conference clarification questions. EnWin Utilities noted that the redactions contain details about a customer's load information.

EnWin Utilities argued that disclosure of the redacted information in Appendix F and C could prejudice the competitive position of, prejudice the economic interest of, and be injurious to the financial interest of the customer, and EnWin Utilities stated that the parties to the settlement had agreed to confidential treatment for the information in both appendices.

The OEB agrees that disclosure of the information could cause harm to the customer, and therefore grants the request for confidential treatment.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Presentation Day tentatively scheduled on **October 4, 2019** is cancelled.
- 2. As previously directed, OEB staff shall file any submission on the settlement proposal with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **October 1, 2019**.
- 3. EnWin Utilities shall file its Argument in Chief on the unsettled issue with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **October 4, 2019**.

- 4. OEB staff and intervenors who wish to make written submissions on the unsettled issue shall file such submissions with the OEB and serve them on all parties by **October 16, 2019**.
- 5. EnWin Utilities shall file its written reply argument with the OEB and serve it on all parties **October 25, 2019**.
- 6. EnWin Utilities' requests for confidential treatment in respect of Appendix F to the settlement proposal and Appendix C to the pre-settlement conference clarification questions are granted.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2019-0032, be made in searchable/unrestricted PDF format electronically through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://pes.oeb.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 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 <u>http://www.oeb.ca/OEB/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 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, Tina Li at <u>Tina.Li@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler at <u>Ian.Richler@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, September 30, 2019

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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