

Brantford Power Inc.

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

-and-

Energy+ Inc.

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**INTERIM RATE ORDER
December 12, 2019**

On August 12, 2019, Brantford Power Inc. (Brantford Power) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2020. The application includes a request for an Incremental Capital Module (ICM) related to the relocation of Brantford Power's administration office and operations centre.

On August 26, 2019, Energy+ Inc. (Energy+) filed an IRM application with the OEB under section 78 of the OEB Act seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2020. The application includes a request for an ICM related to the relocation of Energy+'s operations centre in its Brant County service territory.

In Procedural Order No.1 issued on October 4, 2019, the OEB decided that Brantford Power and Energy+'s applications would be heard together as a combined hearing pursuant to section 21(5) of the OEB Act.

In Procedural Order No. 2 issued on November 15, 2019, the OEB made provisions for written submissions on Brantford Power and Energy+'s rate applications. The OEB intends to issue a partial decision and order on the non-ICM portions of the applications in time to implement the associated new rates on January 1, 2020. However, it is expected that the decision on the ICM portions of the applications will not be issued until

a later date. This includes the eligibility for ICM rate riders, the effective date of any ICM rate riders, and the sharing of gains on the sale of property. The OEB therefore finds it appropriate to declare Brantford Power and Energy+'s rates to be interim, effective January 1, 2020, until such time as final 2020 rates are established by the OEB.

This determination of interim rates is made without prejudice to the OEB's decision on the applications and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the OEB's final determination of the effective date for rates arising from the applications.

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

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Brantford Power Inc.'s current Tariff of Rates and Charges shall be made interim as of January 1, 2020 and until such time as a final rate order is issued by the OEB.
2. Energy+ Inc.'s current Tariff of Rates and Charges shall be made interim as of January 1, 2020 and until such time as a final rate order is issued by the OEB.

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