

EB-2019-0041

Hydro 2000 Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning May 1, 2020

INTERIM RATE ORDER April 30, 2020

Hydro 2000 Inc. (Hydro 2000) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on February 24, 2020 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 Hydro 2000 charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2020.

At this time, the OEB may not be in a position to render a final decision to implement rates on May 1, 2020. Therefore, Hydro 2000's current rates are declared interim as of May 1, 2020 until such time as new rates are approved by the OEB.

This determination is made without prejudice to the OEB's decision on Hydro 2000's application, and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, of the OEB's final determination with regards to the effective date for Hydro 2000's rates arising from this application. Despite granting an interim rate order at this time, the OEB retains the discretion to set the effective date at a date later than the date of the interim rate order. The OEB will ultimately set the effective date of the final rate order to whatever date it ultimately determines to be just and reasonable.

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Hydro 2000 Inc.'s current Tariff of Rates and Charges are declared interim as of May 1, 2020 and until such time as a final rate order is issued by the OEB.

DATED at Toronto, April 30, 2020

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Christine E. Long Registrar and Board Secretary