



**Waterloo North Hydro Inc.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other  
charges beginning January 1, 2021**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2**

**November 9, 2020**

Waterloo North Hydro Inc. (Waterloo North Hydro) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on June 30, 2020 (updated on July 14, 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 Waterloo North Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2021.

On August 24, 2020 the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 which set out the approved parties to this proceeding and made provision, among other matters, for parties to engage in a settlement conference and for any settlement proposal to be filed with the OEB by November 9, 2020.

By letter dated November 6, 2020, Waterloo North Hydro requested a one-week extension to the deadline date of November 9, 2020, to file a settlement proposal. Waterloo North Hydro's reason for requesting the extension is due to the pending decision on the 2021 cost of capital parameters<sup>1</sup>, which will require the settlement to be updated.

The OEB will allow the request for a one-week extension to the deadline date for Waterloo North Hydro to file a settlement proposal. At this time the OEB will also extend the deadline date for any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal and for the presentation of a settlement proposal.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, do not include personal information (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

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<sup>1</sup> The OEB determines on a yearly basis the values for the return on equity and the deemed long-term and short-term debt rates to be used on cost-based applications.

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. Any settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **November 16, 2020**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether the parties believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.
2. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **November 23, 2020**.
3. The OEB is setting a tentative date of **December 3, 2020** for Waterloo North Hydro to present to the OEB any settlement proposal and a summary of any unsettled issues in the case. OEB staff will, at the direction of the OEB, confirm or amend this date in subsequent correspondence.

All materials filed with the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2020-0059**, and be submitted in a searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the OEB's web portal at <https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice>. 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 [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at [www.oeb.ca/industry](http://www.oeb.ca/industry). We encourage the use of RESS; however, parties who have not yet [set up an account](#), may email their documents to [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca).

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar 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, Donald Lau at [Donald.Lau@oeb.ca](mailto:Donald.Lau@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at [Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca](mailto:Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **November 9, 2020**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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Registrar