



Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning January 1, 2021

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4 February 2, 2021

Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. (Oshawa PUC Networks) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) 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 Oshawa PUC Networks charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2021. The application was accepted by the OEB as complete as of August 19, 2020.

Procedural Order No. 2¹, among other matters, set the due date for the filing of any settlement proposal as January 29, 2021. On January 29, 2021, Oshawa PUC Networks filed a letter requesting an extension of that date to February 3, 2021 noting that parties continue to work diligently towards a possible settlement, however it has become apparent that the parties will not meet the January 29, 2021 deadline.²

The OEB accepts the requested extension. The OEB finds it necessary to defer the dates for other steps, stipulated in Procedural Order No. 2, due to the requested extension.

The OEB finds it is necessary to make provision for the matters set out below related to this proceeding.

¹ Issued on October 22, 2020

² EB-2020-0048, OPUCN_Corres_Request Delay Settlement Proposal_20210129, January 29, 2021

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Any settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **February 3, 2021**. 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 **February 10, 2021**.
- 3. The OEB is setting a tentative date of **February 16, 2021**, 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.

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*

All materials filed with the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2020-0048**, and be submitted in a searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://p-pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/PivotalUX/</u>. 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 <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS) Document</u> <u>Guidelines</u> found at <u>www.oeb.ca/industry</u>. We encourage the use of RESS; however, parties who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, may email their documents to <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u>

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, Georgette Vlahos at <u>Georgette.Vlahos@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at <u>Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, February 2, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar