Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges effective January 1, 2022

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 October 6, 2021

Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. (Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 18, 2021 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2022.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on September 8, 2021. Each of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status. SEC and VECC also applied for cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro.

The IESO, SEC and VECC are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. SEC and VECC are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* and only in relation to Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro's proposal to retroactively adjust and dispose of the balances in account 1584 Retail Settlement Variance Account – Network Services.

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party, unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

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. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro and all other parties by **October 20, 2021**.
- 2. Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors by **November 3, 2021**.
- 3. Any written submissions by OEB staff and intervenors shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties by **November 17, 2021**.
- 4. Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro may file a written reply submission with the OEB and serve it on intervenors by **December 1, 2021**.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **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 <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u>.

Please quote file number, **EB-2021-0038** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online</u> filing portal.

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS)</u>
 Document Guidelines found at the Filing Systems page on the OEB's website
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar at the address below and be received by end of business, 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, Marc Abramovitz at Marc.Abramovitz@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, October 6, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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SCHEDULE A LIST OF APPLICANT AND PARTICIPANTS EB-2021-0038

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APPLICANT & LIST OF INTERVENORS

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