



### **Burlington Hydro Inc.**

# Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges effective May 1, 2023

### PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 November 18, 2022

Burlington Hydro Inc. (Burlington Hydro) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 11, 2022, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates, effective May 1, 2023. Burlington Hydro is also seeking approval to recover from its customers the costs and carrying charges resulting from the damage caused by a windstorm.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on October 27, 2022. Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) and the Small Business Utility Alliance (SBUA) applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Burlington Hydro

VECC and SBUA are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. VECC and SBUA are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u> and only in relation to Burlington Hydro's request to recover the costs and carrying charges resulting from the damage caused by a windstorm storm.

Cost eligible intervenors should focus their participation on material issues and avoid duplication. In making its decision on cost awards the OEB will consider whether cost eligible intervenors made reasonable efforts to avoid duplication and focused their participation on material issues.

Being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed. Cost awards are made by way of OEB order at the end of a hearing.

At this time, the OEB is making provision for the filing interrogatories, responses to interrogatories and submissions. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Burlington Hydro that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Burlington Hydro and all other parties by **December 2, 2022**.
- 2. Burlington Hydro shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors by **December 16, 2022**.
- 3. Any written submissions by OEB staff and intervenors shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties by **January 23, 2023**.
- 4. Burlington Hydro may file a written reply submission with the OEB and serve it on intervenors by **February 6, 2023**.

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-2022-0018** 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> <u>Document Guidelines</u> found at the <u>File documents online page</u> 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.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the <u>File</u> documents online page of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the <u>Practice Direction on Cost Awards</u>.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar 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 <a href="marc.abramovitz@oeb.ca">marc.abramovitz@oeb.ca</a> and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at lawren.murray@oeb.ca.

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**DATED** at Toronto, November 18, 2022

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi

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### SCHEDULE A

LIST OF APPLICANTS AND INTERVENORS

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