



CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.

A **FORTIS** ONTARIO
Company

IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, C.S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B, as amended (the “Act”);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Canadian Niagara Power Inc. for an Order or Orders, pursuant to section 78 of the Act, approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates effective January 1, 2024.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

I, Rodney Barber, of the Town of Ridgeway, in the Province of Ontario, **MAKE OATH AND SAY:**

1. I am the Regulatory Analyst for Canadian Niagara Power Inc. (“CNPI”), which is the applicant in the above-referenced proceeding EB-2023-0009 (the “Application”). As such, I have personal knowledge of the matters herein deposed. Where the information set out in this affidavit is based upon information which I have received from others, I have stated the source of that information and believe it to be true.
2. In accordance with paragraph 1 of the Board’s Letter of Direction dated September 8, 2023 (the “Letter”) (a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”**), I can confirm that, on September 8, 2023, CNPI has made a copy of the English and French language versions of the Notice, the Application and the evidence available for public review in a prominent place on its website at www.cnpower.com. Screenshots of relevant pages of CNPI’s website are attached hereto as **Exhibit “B”**.
3. In accordance with paragraph 2 of the Letter, I served a copy of the of the Notice (copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit “C”**), directly on all intervenors of record in CNPI’s previous cost of service rate proceeding via email. Copy of the email is attached hereto as **Exhibit “D”**.
4. In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Letter, this affidavit meets the requirement to file an affidavit proving completion of the paragraph 1 through 2 of the Letter.

SWORN BEFORE ME from the Town)
of Fort Erie, in the Regional Municipality)
of Niagara and Province of Ontario to the)
City of St. Catharines in the Province of)
Ontario on the 11th day of September,)
2023.)



Craig David (LSO No. 67474V)



Rodney Barber

Exhibit "A"

Letter of Direction

This Exhibit "A" referred to in the affidavit of Rodney Barber sworn before me this 11th day of September, 2023.

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CRAIG DAVID

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BY E-MAIL

September 8, 2023

Oana Stefan
Manager, Regulatory Affairs
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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Oana Stefan:

**Re: Canadian Niagara Power Inc. (CNPI)
Application for 2024 Distribution Rate
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0009**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for CNPI's application for 2024 distribution rates (Notice). Please note that you must complete the steps in paragraphs 1 and 2 by **September 13, 2023**. If you are not able to complete the noted steps by **September 13, 2023**, you must inform the Registrar immediately at registrar@oeb.ca.

You are directed:

1. To immediately post the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, in a prominent place on CNPI's website and to make the same available for public review in CNPI's office.
2. To arrange for the service of the enclosed Notice, the application and the evidence, directly on all intervenors of record in CNPI's previous rate application EB-2022-0019.
3. To file with the OEB and affidavit proving completion of the matters in paragraphs 1 and 2 above immediately thereafter.

You are further directed not to include any documents or materials when serving the Notice other than documents or materials expressly required by this letter of direction to be served.

Yours truly,

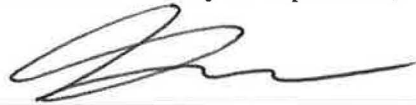
Nancy Marconi
Registrar

Encl.

Exhibit "B"

Screenshots of CNPI Website

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Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has applied to increase its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2024.

[Notice of Application](#)

EB-2023-0009 CNPI's Application for Distribution Rates effective January 1, 2024

Regulatory Updates



Exhibit "C"

Notice of Application

This Exhibit "C" referred to in the affidavit of Rodney Barber sworn before me this 11th day of September, 2023.

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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has applied to increase its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2024.

Learn more. Have your say.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2024. If the application is approved as filed, a typical residential customer and a typical general service customer of Canadian Niagara Power Inc. would see the following increase:

Rate Class	Monthly Bill Impact
Residential 750kWh	\$3.60 per month
General Service less than 50kW	\$10.43 per month

The requested rate increase is set using an OEB-approved formula which is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has also applied to recover the costs (and carrying charges) related to the damage caused to its distribution system by a windstorm. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. is proposing to recover these costs from customers over a 12-month period. The above-noted bill impacts include this request.

Please review the application for the complete list of approvals requested and to determine whether you will be affected by the changes proposed in the application.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Canadian Niagara Power's application. During the hearing, we will question Canadian Niagara Power on the case. We will also hear questions and arguments from individuals that have registered to participate (called intervenors). At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide whether to approve the application.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Canadian Niagara Power's application on the OEB's website now
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing
- You can become an intervenor. As an intervenor you can ask questions about Canadian Niagara Power's application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve Canadian Niagara Power's request. Apply by **September 23, 2023** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding
- At the end of the process, review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website

LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2023-0009**. To learn more about this hearing, including how to file a letter with your comments or become an intervenor, or to access any documents related to this case, please enter the file number **EB-2023-0009** on the OEB website:

www.oeb.ca/participate. You can also phone our Public Information Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

FORM OF HEARING

There are three types of OEB hearings – oral, electronic and written. The OEB intends to proceed by way of a written hearing in this case. If you have a preference with respect to the format of the hearing, you can write to the OEB to explain why by September 18, 2023.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This rate hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 Schedule B.



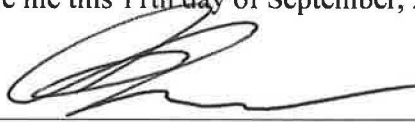
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Exhibit "D"

Email to Intervenors of Record

This Exhibit "D" referred to in the affidavit of Rodney Barber sworn before me this 11th day of September, 2023.

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Subject: Notice of CNPI IRM Application: EB-2023-0009
Date: September 8, 2023 3:34:00 PM
Attachments: [NoA_CNPI_IRM_Z_Factor_20230908.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Please find attached Canadian Niagara Power's Notice of Application for 2024 Distribution Rates.

The application and all evidence can be found at the link below:

[Content Manager WebDrawer - Search Results \(oeb.ca\)](#)

Regards,

Rod Barber

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