IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Wasaga Distribution Inc. to the Ontario Energy Board for an Order or Orders approving of fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other service charges to be effective May 1, 2024, Board File No. EB-2023-0055

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

I, ASHLY KARAMATIC, of the City of Barrie, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE AN OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

I am the Manger of Finance and Regulatory for Wasaga Resource Services Inc. ("WRSI") providing full cycle services to Wasaga Distribution Inc. In my role as Manager of Finance and Regulatory with WRSI, I have been responsible for the development of Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s application to the Ontario Energy Board (the "OEB") and in that capacity have overseen and have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to.

Pursuant to the OEB's Letter of Direction dated November 10, 2023 (the "Letter") in the above referenced case (attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 1), Wasaga Distribution Inc. has completed the following steps:

- 1. In accordance with paragraph 1 of the Letter, the Notice of Hearing, the Application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, were posted in a prominent place on Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s website. The form of the posted notice is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 2.
- 2. In accordance with paragraph 2 of the Letter, the Notice of Hearing, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, were served directly by email on November 15, 2023, to all intervenors in Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s previous cost of service rate proceeding, EB-2015-0107, i.e., Energy Probe Research Foundation, the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition, and the School Energy Coalition. The form of notice sent to the intervenors is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 3.
- 3. With respect to paragraph 3 of the Letter, Wasaga Distribution Inc. either does not have customers' email addresses or does not have the appropriate permissions to use the customers' email addresses to send utility or regulatory information, and therefore, is unable to comply with paragraph 3.
- 4. In accordance with paragraph 4 of the Letter, the required message was posted on Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s X (formerly Twitter) account and Facebook account. Wasaga Distribution Inc. does not have a LinkedIn or Instagram account. As required, the posts include a short-form description of Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s 2024 rate application and a link to the Notice of Hearing as posted on Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s website in accordance with paragraph 1 of the Letter. In accordance with paragraph 4 of the Letter, the post on Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s X (formerly Twitter) account includes a tag @OntarioEnergyBoard. A copy of the required post is attached as Exhibit 4.

Sworn before me at The Town of Wasaga Beach in The County of Simeoe November 17, 2023.

NICOLE RUBLI, a Commissioner, etc., Director of Legislative Services/Clerk for the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach, County of Simcoe

Ashly Karamatic Manager of Finance and Regulatory

November 17, 2023

LETTER OF DIRECTION



BY E-MAIL

November 10, 2023

Ashly Karamatic Manager of Finance and Regulatory Wasaga Distribution Inc. 950 River Road West, Wasaga Beach, ON L9Z 1A2 a.karamatic@wasagadist.ca

LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Karamatic

Re: Wasaga Distribution Inc. (Wasaga Distribution) 2024 Cost of Service Application Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0055

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for Wasaga Distribution's application for 2024 Distribution Rates (Notice). The Notice will be published by the OEB in an online newspaper, in accordance with directions to the OEB's media agent which were copied to you. The OEB will be posting the short form description on X (formerly Twitter). Please note that you must comply with the directions in paragraphs 1 to 5 below prior to **November 27, 2023**. If you are unable to comply with the directions within this timeframe, you must inform the Registrar immediately at <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u>.

You are directed:

- 1. To post the enclosed Notice, the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, on Wasaga Distribution's website.
- 2. To arrange for the service of the enclosed Notice, the application and evidence on intervenors of record in Wasaga Distribution's previous cost of service rate proceeding, EB-2015-0107.
- 3. To arrange for service of the enclosed Notice on customers for whom Wasaga Distribution has an email address and the appropriate permissions to use the email address to send utility or regulatory information, together with the following email message:
 - a) "Wasaga Distribution Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase our electricity distribution rates. Please review the Ontario Energy Board's Notice of Hearing to learn more and to find out how you can participate in the Ontario Energy Board's hearing."

The email must include the words "Notice of Hearing" within the email subject line and provide a link to the Notice as posted on Wasaga Distribution's website in accordance with paragraph 1.

- 4. To post the following message if Wasaga Distribution has an X (formerly Twitter), LinkedIn, Facebook, and/or Instagram account:
 - a) "We have applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase our electricity distribution rates. Learn more. Have your say."

The post is required to include the short-form description and to provide a link to the Notice as posted on Wasaga Distribution's website in accordance with paragraph 1. Please tag @OntEnergyBoard on X (formerly Twitter) and @OntarioEnergyBoard on LinkedIn when posting on these social media platforms. The OEB does not have a Facebook or Instagram account.

- 5. To provide a copy of the Notice, the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.
- 6. To file with the OEB an affidavit confirming that the steps set out in paragraphs 1 through 5 have been completed.

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

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi Registrar

Enclosed:

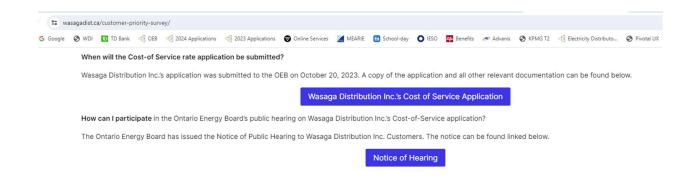
- Notice
- Short-form description
- Big Box Ad
- Media estimate
- cc: Spencer Silvestro, Finance & Regulatory Analyst Michael Buonaguro, Barrister and Solicitor

FORM OF NOTICE – WEBSITE

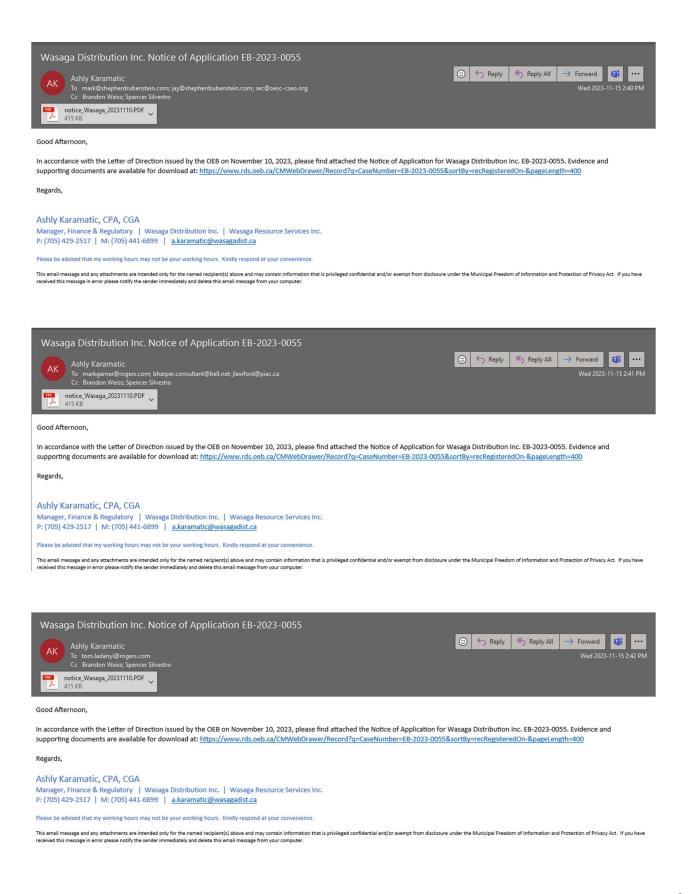


November 13, 2023

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FORM OF NOTICE – INTERVENORS



FORM OF POSTS – ON X AND FACEBOOK

