

BY E-MAIL

November 27, 2023

Walter Malcolm President and CEO Westario Power Inc. RR #2, 24 Eastridge Rd Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0 walter.malcolm@westariopower.com

LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Malcolm:

Re: Westario Power Inc. (Westario) 2024 Cost of Service Application Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0058

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for Westario's 2024 Cost of Service application (Notice). The Notice will be published by the OEB in newspapers, in accordance with directions to the OEB's media agent which were copied to you. Please note that you must comply with the directions in paragraphs 1 to 5 below prior to **November 30, 2023**, which is the publication date of the newspaper in which the Notice will appear last. 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 Notices, the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, on Westario's website.
- 2. To arrange for the service of the enclosed Notice, the application and evidence on all intervenors in Westario's past proceeding (EB-2017-0084); namely;
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation
 - School Energy Coalition
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition
- 3. To arrange for service of the enclosed Notice on customers for whom Westario 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:

 "Westario Power Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to change 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 Westario's website posted in accordance with paragraph 1.

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

The post is required to include the big box ad and to provide a link to the Notices as posted on Westario'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(s), 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
- Big Box Ad
- Media estimate
- c: Manuela Ris, Consultant, manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca Michael Buonaguro, Barrister and Solicitor, mrb@mrb-law.com