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BY E-MAIL

December 8, 2023

Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: InnPower Corporation (InnPower)
Application for 2024 Electricity Distribution Rates
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0033**

Please find attached OEB staff's submission on the draft rate order in the above referenced proceeding, pursuant to the OEB's Decision and Order Dated November 23, 2023. The applicant and intervenors have been copied on this filing.

Yours truly,

Donald Lau
Manager – Electricity Distribution Rates

Cc: All parties in EB-2023-0033



ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

OEB Staff Submission on Draft Rate Order

InnPower Corporation

Cost of Service Application

EB-2023-0033

December 8, 2023

Introduction

InnPower Corporation (InnPower) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on May 12, 2023, under section 78 of *the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* seeking approval for the rates that InnPower charges for electricity distribution, effective January 1, 2024.

A settlement proposal, representing a complete agreement on all issues was agreed to by InnPower and the parties in the settlement conference, was submitted to the OEB for approval on October 13, 2023. OEB staff filed a submission on the settlement proposal on October 24, 2023. InnPower filed a revised settlement proposal with corrections in response to OEB staff's submission on November 6, 2023.

The OEB approved the revised settlement proposal in its Decision and Order dated November 23, 2023.

InnPower filed its draft rate order (DRO) on December 4, 2023. The total bill impacts (including taxes and Ontario Electricity Rebate) for a typical residential customer with a monthly consumption of 750kWh will be an increase of \$3.21 (2.23%).

OEB staff has no concerns with the DRO. OEB staff submits that InnPower has accurately updated its revenue requirement from updates to the short-term debt, return-on-equity, and cost of power.

The following are OEB staff's detailed comments on the DRO.

Comments on the DRO

Revenue Requirement

As part of the OEB approved settlement proposal, InnPower agreed to file an updated draft rate order once the 2024 Cost of Capital Parameter Updates and 2024 Regulated Price Plan electricity rates were released.

InnPower updated its short-term debt and return on equity with the OEB 2024 Cost of Capital Parameters.

InnPower also updated its cost of power using:

- the commodity costs for the period of November 1, 2023, to October 31, 2024¹
- the update to the Ontario Electricity Rebate Credit to 19.3%²
- the proposed Hydro One Sub-Transmission RTSRS.³

The total change in revenue requirement is a decrease of \$10,718 in base revenue requirement.

OEB staff has no concerns with InnPower's updated inputs or the resulting updated revenue requirement.

All of which is respectfully submitted

¹ <https://www.oeb.ca/newsroom/2023/ontario-energy-board-announces-changes-electricity-prices-households-small-business>

² [ibid](#)

³ [OEB letter, 2024 Preliminary Uniform Transmission Rates and Hydro One Sub-Transmission Rates](#), September 28, 2023