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October 31, 2008

Kirsten Walli
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Re: PowerStream Inc. – 2009 Distribution Rate Application
Board File No.: EB-2008-0244

Dear Ms. Walli:

Pursuant to Section 3 of the OEB's Letter of Direction dated October 24, 2008, enclosed please find the Publication Affidavit of Erika Mieto, executed on October 30, 2008.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at the number below.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura Venafrò", is written over the typed name.

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BY E-MAIL

October 24, 2008

Ms. Paula W. Conboy
Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs
PowerStream Inc.
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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Ms. Conboy:

**Re: PowerStream Inc. – 2009 Distribution Rate Application
Board File No. EB-2008-0244**

The Ontario Energy Board has now issued its Notice of Application relating to your rate application. Please note that you must publish the Notice within fourteen days of the date of this letter. If publication is impossible within fourteen days, you must inform the Board staff immediately.

You are directed:

1. To arrange immediately for the enclosed English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words "Ontario Energy Board", to be published in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation, according to the best information available, in PowerStream Inc.'s service area;

Publication must be complete within fourteen days of the receipt of this letter.

(Note: Please make it clear that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.)

2. If PowerStream Inc. is a Host Distributor, to immediately, and no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of the Notice directly on its Embedded Distributor(s);
3. To file with the Board an affidavit proving publication and, where applicable, service of the Notice immediately thereafter;
4. To make a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, available for public review at PowerStream Inc.'s office and on its website, if available; and,
5. To provide a copy of the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any document(s) or material(s) when serving this Notice other than document(s) or material(s) expressly required by this Letter of Direction to be served.

• Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Enclosures

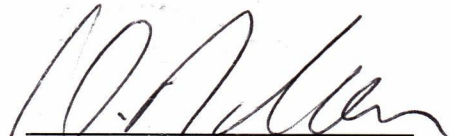
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

I, Erika Mieto, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, do solemnly declare as follows:

1. I am the Corporate Communications Coordinator at PowerStream Inc., and make this Affidavit in support of PowerStream Inc.'s Electricity Distribution Rate Change Application and Notice of Hearing, Ontario Energy Board No. EB-2008-0244.
2. I caused the publication of the Notice of Application and Hearing for an Electricity Distribution Rate Change in the Toronto Star's Living Section on Thursday, October 30, 2008. A copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A".

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Declared before me at the
City of Vaughan
in the Regional Municipality of York
this 30th day of October, 2008.


A Commissioner, etc.

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Erika Mieto

EXHIBIT "A"
TO THE AFFIDAVIT OF
ERIKA MIETO
SWORN OCTOBER 30, 2008



EB-2008-0244

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE

PowerStream Inc.

PowerStream Inc. ("PowerStream") has filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, (the "Board") received on October 10, 2008 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that PowerStream charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2008-0244. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on all of PowerStream's customers.

Any change to PowerStream's distribution rates will cause PowerStream's delivery charges to change. Delivery charges are one of four regular items on residential and general service customers' electric bills and vary depending on the amount of electricity consumed.

In its application, PowerStream is seeking approval of \$121 million as the 2009 revenue requirement it requires to provide electricity distribution services. On an equivalent basis, this compares with a Board-approved level of \$102.3 million for 2006, the last year the rates were reviewed on a cost of service basis. During the interim period, the Board has approved adjustments to distribution rates.

PowerStream indicates that if the application is approved as filed, a residential customer consuming 1,000 kWh per month would experience an approximate 0.6% decrease in their delivery charges. This is a \$0.36 per month decrease on their bill. A general service customer consuming 2,000 kWh per month and having a monthly demand of less than 50 kW would experience an approximate 1.4% decrease in their delivery charges. This is a \$1.34 per month decrease on their bill.

How to see PowerStream Inc.'s Application

Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Board's office in Toronto and on its website, www.oeb.gov.on.ca, and at PowerStream Inc.'s office and may be on its website.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

1. Send a Letter with your Comments to the Board

Your letter with comments will be provided to the Board members deciding the application, and will be part of the public record for the application. Your letter must be received by the Board no later than **30 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. The Board accepts letters of comment by either post or e-mail at the addresses below.

2. Become an Observer

Observers do not actively participate in the proceeding but monitor the progress of the proceeding by receiving documents issued by the Board. You may request observer status in order to receive documents issued by the Board in this proceeding. If you become an observer, you need to contact the applicant and others in order to receive documents that they file in this proceeding and they may charge you for this. Most documents filed in this application will also be available on the Board's website. Your request for observer status must be made in writing and be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. The Board accepts observer request letters by either post or e-mail at the addresses below; however two paper copies are also required. You must also provide a copy of your letter to the applicant.

3. Become an Intervenor

You may ask to become an intervenor if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Intervenor are eligible to receive evidence and other material submitted by participants in the hearing. Likewise, intervenors will be expected to send copies of any material they file to all parties to the hearing. Your request for intervenor status must be made by letter of intervention and be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. Your letter of intervention must include a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the outcome of this proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. The Board may order costs in this proceeding. You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs from the applicant and the grounds for your eligibility for costs. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the applicant.

The Board intends to proceed with this application and other applications for a 2009 electricity distribution rate cost of service review by including an oral component. That component may be in the form of a technical conference or an oral hearing. The extent of the oral component of the proceeding will be determined on a case by case basis. This approach will enable the Board to address certain matters more effectively than would be possible in a proceeding conducted entirely on a written basis. If you object to the Board proceeding in this fashion, your letter of intervention must state the nature of the process you believe to be necessary and the reasons for undertaking such a process.

If you already have a user ID, please submit your intervention request through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca. Additionally, two paper copies are required. If you do not have a user ID, please visit the Board's website under e-filings and fill out a user ID password request. For instructions on how to submit and naming conventions please refer to the RESS Document Guidelines found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca, e-Filing Services. The Board also accepts interventions by e-mail, at the address below, and again, two additional paper copies are required. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit their intervention request on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies.

How to Contact Us

In responding to this Notice, please reference Board file number EB-2008-0244 in the subject line of your e-mail or at the top of your letter. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

Need More Information?

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's website at www.oeb.gov.on.ca or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE PROCESS AS OUTLINED OR DO NOT REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDING.

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DATED at Toronto, October 24, 2008

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Original signed by

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Board Secretary