



Hydro One Networks Inc.

**Application for Renewable Generation Connection Rate
Protection Compensation Amounts**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

March 5, 2024

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an application for renewable generation connection rate protection (RGCRP) compensation amounts with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 3, 2023, under sections 78 and 79.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for collection of renewable generation connection investments and rate protection amounts, amendment of compensation amounts, and corrections to cost allocations.

Procedural Order No. 1 issued, on November 17, 2023, made provision for the certain matters related to the proceeding including the dates related to interrogatories.

On January 12, 2024, Hydro One requested an extension of the date to file interrogatory responses from January 18, 2024, to February 8, 2024. Hydro One stated that it identified issues with the RGCRP model assumptions and the associated account entries, and that Hydro One Networks Inc. is reviewing the details to rectify the issues and ensure that all amounts are accurate prior to submitting its interrogatory responses.

On January 17, 2024, the OEB approved this request. The application was paused until responses to interrogatories were received.

In its letter dated February 6, 2024, Hydro One requested a second extension of the date to file the interrogatory responses from February 8, 2024, to February 22, 2024. In that letter, Hydro One stated that it continues to work through issues with the RGCRP model assumptions and the associated historical account entries to ensure that all amounts are accurate prior to submitting its interrogatory responses.

On February 7, 2024, the OEB granted Hydro One's request for the second extension. The application remained paused until Hydro One's responses to interrogatories were received.

Hydro One filed responses to interrogatories on February 22, 2024. In its response to OEB Staff Interrogatory 1, Hydro One provided a spreadsheet of all changes made to

the application during the interrogatory process. Hydro One requested that this matter proceed by way of settlement conference with OEB staff, in an effort to streamline the process and facilitate constructive discussion regarding the changes made to the application through the interrogatory process.

The OEB is making provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. A settlement conference among Hydro One and OEB staff will be convened on **April 2, 2024** starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the settlement conference will continue on **April 3, 2024**. This will be a virtual event and information on how to participate will be provided in advance of the conference.
2. **By April 3, 2024**, Hydro One shall file a letter informing the OEB of the status of the settlement discussions including whether a tentative agreement had been reached or if a continuation of the settlement discussions is needed.
3. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference, Hydro One shall file on or before **April 17, 2024** submissions on which items shall be heard in writing, and for which items the OEB should hold an oral hearing.
4. If there is a settlement, any settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference shall be filed with the OEB on or before **April 17, 2024**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal should contain a list of any unsettled items, indicating with reasons whether Hydro One and OEB staff believe those items should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2023-0291** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Narisa Jotiban at narisa.jotiban@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Charlotte Kanya-Forstner, at charlotte.kanyaforstner@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, March 5, 2024

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