

Westario Power Inc.

24 Eastridge Road, R.R. # 2 Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0 Tel (519) 507-6937

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 April 1, 2024, Board File No. EB-2023-0058

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

I, CARRIE SCHWIPPL, of the Town of Chesley, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE AN OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

I am the Manager of Corporate Services for Westario Power Inc. ("Westario") providing full cycle services to Westario Power Inc. In my role as Manager of Corporate Services with WPI, I have been responsible for the development of Westario Power 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 27, 2023 (the "Letter") in the above referenced case (attached to this Affidavit as Appendix 1), Westario Power Inc. has completed the following steps:

- 1. Posted the enclosed Notices, the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, on Westario's website. (see Appendix 2)
- 2. Arranged 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

(see Appendix 3)

- 3. With respect to paragraph 3 of the Letter, Westario Power 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. Posted the message below on X (formerly Twitter), LinkedIn, Facebook, and/or Instagram account: (see Appendix 4)
 - "We have applied to the Ontario Energy Board to change our electricity distribution rates. Learn more. Have your say."
 - "... 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. "





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- 5. To provide a copy of the Notice(s), the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material. (No requests received)
- 6. To file with the OEB an affidavit confirming that the steps set out in paragraphs 1 through 5 have been completed.

Carrie Schwippl

Manager of Corporate Services

Sworn before me at the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, in the County of Bruce, this 14th day of March, 2024.

Harpreet Kukreja Notary Public





Appendix 1 – Letter of Direction



BY E-MAIL

November 27, 2023

Walter Malcolm
President and CEO
Westario Power Inc.
RR #2, 24 Eastridge Rd
Walkerton, ON NOG 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 registrar@oeb.ca.

You are directed:

- To post the enclosed Notices, the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, on Westario's website.
- 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:

2300 Yonge Street, 27º floor, P.O. Box 2319, Toronto, ON, M4P 1E4 2300, rue Yonge, 27º étage, C.P. 2319, Toronto (Ontario) M4P 1E4

T416-481-1967 1-888-632-6273 F416-440-7656 OEB.ca "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.

- To provide a copy of the Notice(s), the application and evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.
- 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,
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Registrar

Enclosed:

- Notice
- Big Box Ad
- Media estimate
- c: Manuela Ris, Consultant, manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca Michael Buonaguro, Barrister and Solicitor, mrb@mrb-law.com

Appendix 2 - Evidence on Website





Newsroom



Contact

Residential * Business * Sustainability * Outages * FAQ * Q

Westario Power Inc. 2024 Cost of Service Application

Westario Power Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to change our electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2024.

If the application is approved as filed, a typical residential customer and a typical general service customer of Westario Power Inc. would see the following

Residential (750 kWh)	\$2.55 per month	
General Service less than 50kW (2,000 kWh)	\$10.87 per month	

Other customers, including businesses, will also be affected. It's important to review the application carefully to determine whether you may be affected by the proposed changes.

See the application notice

See the application

See all documents related to this application





Appendix 3 – Email sent to intervenors on record from 2018 CoS

From: Manuela Ris-Schofield <manuela@tandemenergyservices.ca>

Date: Thu, Nov 30, 2023 at 3:22 PM

Subject: Westario Power Inc. Notice of Application EB-2023-0058

To: Mark Garner (markgamer@rogers.com) <markgamer@rogers.com>, William Harper

<bharper.consultant@bell.net>, Mark Rubenstein <mark@shepherdrubenstein.com>, tom.ladanyi

<tom.ladanyi@rogers.com>

Cc: Walter Malcolm < Walter.Malcolm@westariopower.com>, Bill Lorentz

<Bill.Lorentz@westariopower.com>, Michael.B Buonaguro <mikebuonaguro@me.com>

Dear interveners,

Westario Power Inc. has filed its 2024 Cost of Service application with the Ontario Energy Board (EB-2023-0058). As a previous intervening party, we are writing to advise you that the application is now on the OEB's website.

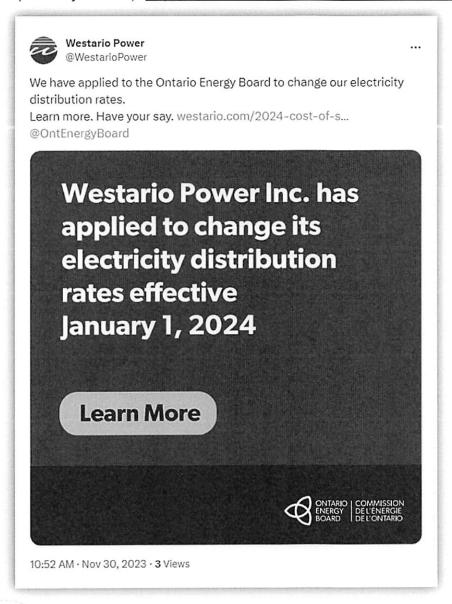
The application is accessible via the provided URL, and the notices are enclosed for your convenience.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

https://www.rds.oeb.ca/CMWebDrawer/Record?q=CaseNumber%3DEB-2023-0058% 20And%20SIDocumentType%3A%22Application%20and%20Evidence%22&sortBy=recRegisteredOn-&pageLength=400

Appendix 4 - Notice Posted on Social Media

X (formerly Twitter): https://twitter.com/WestarioPower/status/1730253556815434141



Facebook:



LinkedIn:





Westario Power Inc. has applied to change its electricity distribution rates







NOTICE OF A HEARING

Westario Power Inc. has applied to change its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2024

If the application is approved as filed, a typical residential customer and a typical general service customer of Westario Power Inc. would see the following increase:

Residential (750 kWh)	\$2.55 per month
General Service less than 50kW (2,000 kWh)	\$10.87 per month

Other customers, including businesses, will also be affected. It's important to review the application carefully to determine whether you may be affected by the proposed changes

YOU SHOULD KNOW

There are three types of OEB hearings: oral, electronic and written. The applicant has applied for a written hearing. If you think a different hearing type is needed, you can write to us to explain why.

During this hearing, we will hear questions and arguments from participants about this case. We will also hear questions and arguments from participants that have registered as Intervenors. After the hearing, we will decide whether to approve the application.

HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information about this application and to participate in the process. Visit www.oeb.ca/notice and use file number EB-2023-0058 to:

- Review the application
- Apply to become an intervenor
- File a letter with your comments

IMPORTANT DATES

You must engage with the OEB on or before December 11, 2023 to:

- · Provide input on the hearing type (oral, electronic or written)
- · Apply to be an intervenor

If you do not, the hearing will move forward without you, and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. If you are a business or if you apply to become an intervenor, all the information you file will be on the OEB website.

LEARN MORE

Ontario Energy Board

- III/TTY: 1877-632-2727
- Monday Friday: 8:30 AM 5:00 PM
- @ oeb.ca/notice

Westario Power Inc.

- 866-978-2746
- Monday Friday: 8:30 AM 4:00 PM
- #https://westario.com/my-westario/

This hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998.

Ce document est aussi disponible en français.



Ontario Energy Board