Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2008-0226

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by COLLUS Power Corp. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

## PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 6

COLLUS Power Corp. ("COLLUS" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that COLLUS charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board received the application on August 18, 2008 and has assigned the application File Number EB-2008-0226. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing dated September 2, 2008, Procedural Order No. 1 on October 6, 2008, Procedural Order No. 2 on October 22, 2008, Procedural Order No. 3 on December 3, 2008, and Procedural Order No. 4 issued on December 18, 2008.

In Procedural Order No. 5 issued on January 21, 2009, the Board made provision for submissions from parties to the proceeding and for reply submission from the Applicant.

In its reply submission filed on February 25, 2009, COLLUS stated that incorrect values were used in response to interrogatories related to cost allocation posed by the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"). Consequently, COLLUS filed updated revenue to cost ratios for all customer classes; however, the Board is not clear on the rationale for the revised revenue to cost ratios that COLLUS has introduced in its reply submissions. The Board requires the following clarification in order to complete the record:

- 1. Regarding the original response to VECC 47(f) filed on January 10, 2009:
  - a. Was ALCOA revenue removed? If yes, provide the dollar amount.
  - b. Was the transformer ownership allowance associated with ALCOA removed from revenue and costs? If yes, provide the dollar amount.
  - c. Was the transformer ownership allowance associated with other customers who own their transformers removed from revenue and costs? If yes, provide the dollar amount by customer class.
- 2. Regarding the original response to VECC 33(c) filed on November 28, 2008:
  - a. What are the specific differences in the data used in the updated response to VECC 33(c) filed on February 25, 2009? Clearly explain the differences and the reason for the update.
  - b. Confirm that COLLUS has determined that the updated response to VECC 33(c), filed on February 25, 2009, is the starting point for cost allocation.
  - c. Provide a copy of Output Sheet O1 of the related run that supports the revenue to cost ratios for the updated response to VECC 33(c) as well as electronic version of the related Excel spreadsheet.
- 3. Regarding the approach to revenue to cost ratios described on page 41 of the reply submission:
  - a. Based on the approach described on page 41, what are the revenue to cost ratios that COLLUS is proposing for each class for 2009 (and future years, if there are further adjustments)? Please provide the rationale for the proposed revenue to cost ratios.
  - b. Please provide schedules setting out the proposed revenue allocation by class and reconcile these with the proposed revenue to cost ratios. (i.e. provide schedules that work through Steps #1 - #7 as noted on page 41 of COLLUS' submission).
  - c. If the revenue allocation differs from that in the original filing, please provide revised rates and bill impacts with supporting schedules setting out the derivation of monthly service charges and variable rates.

Please be aware that this Procedural Order may be amended, and further procedural orders may be issued.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Applicant shall file with the Board its responses to the questions posed in this Procedural Order and any supporting documentation and deliver these to all other parties to this proceeding no later than **Friday, March 20, 2009**.
- 2. Board staff and parties who wish to make submissions on the material filed on March 20, 2009 must file those submissions with the Board, and deliver them to the Applicant and all other parties no later than **Wednesday**, **March 25**, **2009**.
- 3. The Applicant's reply submission must be filed with the Board and delivered to all parties no later than **Friday, March 27, 2009**.

All filings to the Board must quote file number EB-2008-0226, be made through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

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.

DATED at Toronto, March 13, 2009

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