



EB-2024-0176

Wataynikaneyap Power LP Inc.

**Application for electricity transmission rates and other
charges beginning January 1, 2025**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

August 16, 2024

Wataynikaneyap Power LP Inc. (WPLP) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on June 28, 2024 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval to establish electricity transmission rates and to charge Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. a fixed charge, both effective January 1, 2025.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on July 22, 2024. No intervention requests were received by the OEB.

Confidentiality Request

Under separate cover, WPLP requested confidential treatment of certain information contained in the in-service additions section of the application at pages 3 and 4 of Exhibit C-2-1. In its letter, WPLP states the information relates to ongoing commercial discussions and a contract change request between WPLP and its Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contractor regarding COVID-related costs and schedule impacts. WPLP notes that public disclosure of the information would interfere with discussions that may likely produce a significant loss or gain for either party and prejudice WPLP's position, including any resolution process. WPLP further notes that the same type of information was previously determined to be confidential in EB-2023-0168.

In accordance with the OEB's [Practice Direction on Confidential Filings](#) (Practice Direction), the OEB will allow an opportunity for OEB staff to file an objection to WPLP's confidentiality request and for WPLP to respond to any objection.

Issues List

The OEB is making provision for the development of an issues list prior to the filing of written interrogatories. WPLP and OEB staff shall use the draft issues list at Exhibit A-8-1 of the application as a starting point. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list with the OEB. If there is no agreement on the draft issues list, OEB staff will advise the OEB in writing. The OEB will approve an issues list prior to the filing of interrogatories.

Interrogatories

At this time, provision is being made for written interrogatories.

Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#) regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. If OEB staff have any objections to WPLP's request for confidentiality, it shall file its written submission with the OEB and serve it on WPLP by **August 23, 2024**.
2. If WPLP wishes to respond to any submission on confidentiality, it must file its written reply with the OEB and serve it on OEB staff within the timelines specified in section 5.1.8 of the Practice Direction.
3. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the OEB in writing that WPLP and OEB staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a draft issues list by **August 23, 2024**.
4. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from WPLP that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on WPLP by **September 9, 2024**.
5. WPLP shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on OEB staff by **September 27, 2024**.

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-2024-0176** 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 at the address below 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, Katherine Wang at Katherine.Wang@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler at Ian.Richler@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, August 16, 2024

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi

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Registrar