



Hydro One Remote Communities Inc.

**Application for incremental funding for the Deer Lake
Shoulderblade Falls Hydroelectric Facility, beginning
April 16, 2024**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1
October 15, 2024**

Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. (Hydro One Remotes) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* on August 27, 2024, to change its revenue requirement by including incremental funding for the continued operation of the Deer Lake Shoulderblade Falls Hydroelectric Facility, beginning April 16, 2024.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on September 20, 2024. The OEB did not receive any intervention requests.

Issues List

Hydro One Remotes and OEB staff will prepare and submit a proposed issues list. If there is no agreement on a proposed issues list, then 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 and submissions.

Parties should examine the value presented by the proposal and consider how the plans contribute to positive outcomes for customers.

Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the OEB in writing that Hydro One Remotes and OEB staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a proposed issues list by **October 21, 2024**.

2. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Hydro One Remotes that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Hydro One Remotes by **November 8, 2024**.
3. Hydro One Remotes shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on OEB staff by **November 22, 2024**.
4. Any written submissions from OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on Hydro One Remotes by **December 6, 2024**.
5. Any written reply submissions from Hydro One Remotes shall be filed with the OEB and served on OEB staff by **December 20, 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-2024-0180** 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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- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at the [File documents online page](#) on the OEB's website.
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet [set up an account](#), or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact registrar@oeb.ca for assistance.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

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, Margaret DeFazio at margaret.defazio@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at james.sidlofsky@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **October 15, 2024**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi

Nancy Marconi
Registrar