

Ottawa River Power Corporation

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning May 1, 2025**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

April 30, 2025

Ottawa River Power Corporation (ORPC) filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 9, 2024, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that ORPC charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2025. The Decision and Rate Order for this application was issued by the OEB on March 30, 2025. On April 15, 2025, ORPC submitted a request to the OEB to revise a multi-year rate rider that was approved through its 2024 distribution rates application and included in the 2025 Tariff of Rates and Charges.

Background

As part of its 2024 IRM application¹, ORPC received OEB approval for the Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment (GA) Account (2024), effective May 1, 2024. This rate rider was set to remain in effect until April 30, 2028. On March 20, 2025, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order for ORPC's 2025 IRM application² in which the Rate Rider for Disposition of GA Account (2024) was continued.

By [letter](#) dated April 15, 2025, ORPC notified the OEB of an issue related to the above noted rate rider. ORPC stated that it had conducted a detailed review and identified that the Rate Rider for Disposition of GA Account (2024) was depleting the account balance faster than anticipated. ORPC attributed the discrepancy to non-Regulated Price Plan (RPP) and kW values in the Billing Determinants tab of the Rate Generator Model only using retailer-enrolled customers and not accounting for Standard Supply Service non-RPP customers.

ORPC is proposing that the OEB terminate the approved Rate Rider for Disposition of GA Account (2024) as of April 30, 2025, and implement a revised rate rider for a 12-month period beginning May 1, 2025. The revised rate rider would be based on the

¹ [EB-2023-0047](#)

² [EB-2024-0050](#)

projected remaining balance for the Rate Rider for Disposition of GA Account (2024) and 2023 Non-RPP metered consumption data. By limiting the revised rate rider to 12 months, ORPC submits that it would mitigate customer impacts and avoid undue financial harm to the utility.

The OEB notes that the proposed amendment relates to a rate rider that, while approved in a prior proceeding, remains subject to implementation under the 2025 Tariff of Rates and Charges that was approved by the OEB in its Decision and Rate Order in this proceeding. The OEB notes that the discrepancy is material in nature and that the amendment requested by ORPC is intended to correct a potential over-refund and mitigate further financial impact.

Given the nature of the proposed change and the absence of intervenors in the proceeding, the OEB is of the view that it is appropriate for OEB staff to file a submission setting out OEB staff's understanding of the need for the proposed amendment, and the basis for OEB staff's position on the matter.

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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. A written submission by OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on ORPC by **May 2, 2025**.

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-2024-0050** 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, Urooj Iqbal at urooj.iqbal@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at ljuba.djurdjevic@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **April 30, 2025**

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