



Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning January 1, 2026**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

June 30, 2025

BEFORE: Patrick Moran
Presiding Commissioner

Anthony Ziahtic
Commissioner

Robert Dodds
Commissioner

Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. (Oshawa PUC Networks) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on April 30, 2025, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Oshawa PUC Networks charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2026.

In Procedural Order No. 1, the OEB approved the parties for this proceeding and set out, among other things, procedural steps for the filing of interrogatories, responses to those interrogatories and a settlement conference.¹

Interrogatory Collaboration Pilot

As part of its efforts under the OEB's modernization plan, the OEB is piloting new methods to reduce duplication and improve efficiency in the interrogatory process. This proceeding was selected to pilot item #4 of the [OEB's 10-point Action Plan](#).

As a result, intervenors and OEB staff are being directed to collaborate and file a single, consolidated set of interrogatories. To assist OEB staff and intervenors, OEB staff has created a private SharePoint site to allow parties to prepare interrogatories in one file. The objective of the pilot is to increase collaboration, eliminate the duplication of interrogatories, and consolidate similar information requests to reduce the overall

¹ Procedural Order No. 1 dated June 13, 2025.

number of interrogatories. OEB staff will file these interrogatories as a PDF with the OEB on behalf of all intervenors. The interrogatories will be placed on the public record, consistent with current practices. Individual interrogatories shall be attributed to each party that contributed to the question or has the same question. The PDF placed on the public record will be labelled to indicate a set of collaborative OEB staff and intervenor interrogatories.

The OEB is establishing the following process in forming the collaborative interrogatory document amongst OEB staff and intervenors, in accordance with the objectives of the pilot.

OEB staff will insert its interrogatories into the private SharePoint site by **July 3, 2025**. Following that, intervenors will insert their interrogatories into the private SharePoint site between **July 3, 2025** and **July 7, 2025**, while being mindful to not include duplicate interrogatories. Intervenors and OEB staff should collaborate to remove similar and overlapping interrogatories where possible. OEB staff will review and recommend to intervenors any further changes to the interrogatory file between **July 8, 2025**, and **July 10, 2025**, and intervenors are to sign off on the interrogatories no later than **July 10, 2025**.

The OEB is making provision for the following related to the interrogatory pilot process. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. OEB staff shall file the consolidated written interrogatories of OEB staff and intervenors with the OEB and serve on Oshawa PUC Networks by **July 10, 2025**.
2. All other steps in Procedural Order No. 1 remain unchanged.

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-2025-0014** 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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- 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, Tyler Davids at Tyler.Davids@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **June 30, 2025**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Ritchie Murray
Acting Registrar