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July 2, 2025

VIA E-MAIL

Ritchie Murray
Acting Registrar (registrar@oeb.ca)
Ontario Energy Board
Toronto, ON

Dear Mr. Murray:

**Re: EB-2024-0026 – Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.
Distribution Rates 2025 – Phase 2 OPEB deferral**

On behalf of all the intervening parties¹ in the above noted proceeding, we are writing to request an extension for intervenors to the date of submissions from July 11, 2025 **to July 18**.

The Board issued its partial decision and interim rate order in the above noted proceeding on April 15, 2025. That decision allowed for the unsettled issue of the proposed disposition of balances related to OPEB cash to accrual transition to be addressed separately through a written process (Phase 2). Procedural Order No. 3 established July 11, 2025 as the date for intervening parties and Board staff to file submissions on these Phase 2 issues.

In an effort to coordinate and act efficiently the parties have met to discuss Phase 2 issues. The matters in this case are of a complex accounting nature. Board Staff has considerable expertise and holds institutional history on this type of regulatory accounting matter. As such it would assist the parties and we believe be more efficient for intervenors to provide their arguments after having considered the submissions of Board Staff.

We therefore request that the Board extend the filing date for intervening parties to file submissions until July 18 - one week after the filing of Staff's submissions. We would propose that the Applicant be granted an equivalent week's extension, to August 1, to respond to all the submissions.

Yours truly,

Mark Garner
Consultant for VECC/PIAC

¹ The parties are: Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario, the Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada, the School Energy Coalition and the Vulnerable Energy Consumer Coalition.
