



**Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates beginning  
May 1, 2025**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4  
July 7, 2025**

**BEFORE:**

**Anthony Zlahtic**  
Presiding Commissioner

**Patrick Moran**  
Commissioner

**Vinay Sharma**  
Commissioner

Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. (Greater Sudbury Hydro) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 30, 2024, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Greater Sudbury Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2025.

In Procedural Order No. 2 dated April 24, 2025, the OEB established the timetable for additional procedural steps relating to the unsettled elements in this proceeding.<sup>1, 2</sup> The unsettled elements relate to Greater Sudbury Hydro's transition from cash-based accounting to accrual-based accounting for Other Post-Employment Benefits.

In Procedural Order No. 3 dated June 6, 2025<sup>3</sup>, the OEB amended the dates for certain procedural steps due to an extension request filed by Greater Sudbury Hydro for the filing of its interrogatory responses on its supplemental evidence, for the reasons set out in that letter.<sup>4</sup>

On July 2, 2025, the intervenors in the proceeding filed a joint letter requesting an extension to the date for the filing of their submissions as set out in Procedural Order No. 3 from July 11, 2025 to July 18, 2025. The letter notes that the matters in this case are of a complex accounting nature, and OEB staff has "considerable expertise and

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<sup>1</sup> The unsettled matters are part of Issue 6.1 of the OEB-approved Issues List. The Issues List was approved in the [OEB's Decision on Issues List](#), dated December 19, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> EB-2024-0026, [Procedural Order No. 2](#), April 24, 2025

<sup>3</sup> EB-2024-0026, [Procedural Order No. 3](#), June 6, 2025

<sup>4</sup> EB-2024-0026, [Extension Request Letter](#), June 2, 2025

holds institutional history on this type of regulatory accounting matter.” The letter further states that it would assist the parties and be more efficient for intervenors to provide their arguments after having considered the submissions of OEB staff. The letter also proposes that Greater Sudbury Hydro be granted an equivalent week’s extension, to August 1, 2025, to respond to all submissions.<sup>5</sup>

The OEB grants the request for an extension for the filing of intervenor submissions. The OEB also agrees that Greater Sudbury Hydro should have an additional week to respond to all submissions. The filing date of OEB staff’s submission on the unsettled issues will remain unchanged from the date set out in Procedural Order No. 3, that is, July 11, 2025.

The OEB finds it is necessary to make provision for the matters set out below related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. OEB staff shall file their written submissions on the unsettled issues with the OEB and serve them on all other parties by **July 11, 2025**.
2. Intervenors shall file their written submissions on the unsettled issues with the OEB and serve them on all other parties by **July 18, 2025**.
3. Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. shall file its reply submission with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **August 1, 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](#).

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<sup>5</sup> EB-2024-0026, [Letter from Intervenors](#), July 2, 2025

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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, Georgette Vlahos at [georgette.vlahos@oeb.ca](mailto:georgette.vlahos@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at [ljuba.djurdjevic@oeb.ca](mailto:ljuba.djurdjevic@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **July 7, 2025**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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