

EB-2008-0227

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by ENWIN Utilities Ltd. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

ENWIN Utilities Ltd. ("ENWIN" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, received on September 18, 2008 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that ENWIN charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board has assigned the application File Number EB-2008-0227. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing dated October 1, 2008.

The Board received requests for intervenor status and cost eligibility in this proceeding from four parties: the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"), the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario ("AMPCO"), Consumers Council of Canada ("CCC"), and the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"). Late intervention request were received from Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters ("CME") and the Ford Motor Company of Canada ("Ford"). No objections were received from the Applicant.

The Board hereby approves the intervention and cost eligibility status for VECC, AMPCO, CCC, and SEC. The Board also approves the late intervention and cost eligibility status for CME and also approves the late intervention status of Ford.

A list of intervenors is attached as Appendix B to this order.

The Board recognizes that the costs of an intervention can be relatively significant for any distributor. While the Board encourages active participation in the review of an

application, intervenors should be mindful of the potential impact of these costs upon ratepayers, which the Board will take into consideration when it determines its cost awards. The Board will also take into account the quality and relevance of the intervention. In addition, the Board will consider any duplication of effort by intervenors in this proceeding. As a guide, the Board has attached a table (Appendix A) that summarizes the approved cost awards for those distributors that made cost of service applications for their 2008 rates.

As part of its application, in accordance with Rule 10.01 of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure (the "Rules") and the Board's Practice Direction on Confidential Filings (the "Practice Direction"), ENWIN has filed certain information in confidence. In accordance with Rule 10.03 and section 5.1.5 of the Practice Direction, ENWIN will be required to serve a copy of the cover letter requesting confidentiality, together with a non-confidential (redacted) version of the document on all parties to this proceeding. This document will be placed on the public record. The confidential, un-redacted version of the document will, subject to section 5.1.6 of the Practice Direction, be kept confidential until the Board has made a determination on the confidentiality request. In accordance with this Procedural Order, all parties will have an opportunity to object to the request for confidentiality and ENWIN will have an opportunity to reply to any objections in accordance with the timelines set out below, after which, the Board will make its determination on the confidentiality request.

The Board notes that ENWIN has requested the disposition of Account 1562, Deferred Payments in Lieu of Taxes. The Board will not dispose of this account as part of this proceeding. The Board, by letter dated March 3, 2008, has announced that it will initiate a combined proceeding to determine the methodology that should be used for the calculation and disposition of account 1562.

The Board has decided to proceed by way of an oral hearing. Therefore, the Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following procedural matters. Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- The Applicant shall serve a copy of the cover letter requesting confidentiality, together with the non-confidential (redacted) version of the document for which the Applicant is requesting confidentiality on all parties to this proceeding immediately. The cover letter and this document will also be placed on the public record.
- 2. Any party may object to the request for confidentiality by filing an objection with the Board Secretary and serving such objection on the Applicant and all other parties to this proceeding no later than Friday, November 21, 2008. Parties should note the requirements outlined in section 5.1.7 of the Board's Practice Direction on Confidential Filings.
- 3. The Applicant may file a reply to any objection to the confidentiality request with the Board Secretary and serve it on all parties to the proceeding by Tuesday, November 25, 2008.
- 4. An Issues Conference, involving Board staff, Intervenors and the Applicant, will be convened to review the draft Issues List with the objective of developing a proposed Issues List for presentation to the Board. A draft Issues List will be distributed by Board staff to all intervenors no later than Tuesday, November 18, 2008. At the conclusion of the Issues Conference, a proposed Issues List will be formulated and presented to the Board. The Issues Conference will be held in the Board's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, on Friday, November 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.
- 5. An Issues Day proceeding will take place on Friday, November 28, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board's hearing room, at which time the Board will hear submissions with respect to any contested issues. Parties will also have an opportunity to make submissions on how each of the issues should be heard (i.e. orally or in writing).

All filings to the Board must quote file number EB-2008-0227, be made through the Board's web portal at www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at www.oeb.gov.on.ca. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the address below. Those who

do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

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DATED at Toronto, November 14, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

APPENDIX A TO PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 ENWIN UTILITIES LTD. 2009 COST OF SERVICE APPLICATION EB-2008-0227

DATED: NOVEMBER 14, 2008

2008 COS EDR COMPARISON OF COST AWARDS TO REVENUE REQUIREMENT by LDC and INTERVENOR COST PER CUSTOMER

Distributor	Number of Intervenors	File Number	Proposed Revenue Requirement	Cost Award	% of Revenue	Number of Customers	Cost per Customer
Hydro 2000 Inc.	1	EB-2007-0704	\$333,872	\$5,196.75	1.56%	1,159	\$4.48
Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation	1	EB-2007-0704	\$736,568	\$6,756.25	0.92%	1,133	\$5.05
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	2	EB-2007-0901	\$1,304,404	\$9,735.32	0.75%	3,316	\$2.94
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	2	EB-2007-0762	\$2,267,241	\$12,388.05	0.55%	5,864	\$2.11
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	2	EB-2007-0761	\$5,077,851	\$17,257.19	0.34%	9,057	\$1.91
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	2	EB-2007-0696	\$10,446,283	\$21,206.04	0.20%	20,214	\$1.05
Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.	2	EB-2007-0753	\$12,800,352	\$12,699.65	0.10%	18,641	\$0.68
PUC Distribution Inc.	1	EB-2007-0931	\$17,191,211	\$5,338.36	0.03%	32,512	\$0.16
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	3	EB-2007-0710	\$20,440,000	\$22,204.50	0.11%	50,978	\$0.44
AMPCO Motion	4	EB-2008-0099	\$20,440,000	\$45,032.40	0.22%	50,979	\$0.88
Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc.	2	EB-2007-0746	\$35,008,572	\$11,968.00	0.03%	68,535	\$0.17
Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc.	5	EB-2007-0706	\$124,300,000	\$111,258.31	0.09%	183,706	\$0.61
Hydro Ottawa Ltd.	4	EB-2007-0713	\$147,951,054	\$81,425.95	0.06%	286,995	\$0.28
Toronto Hydro-Electric System	5	EB-2007-0680	\$498,400,000	\$250,344.26	0.05%	679,864	\$0.37
					0.36%	average	\$1.51

APPENDIX B TO PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 ENWIN UTILITIES LTD. DISTRIBUTION RATE APPLICATION EB-2008-0227 APPLICANTS & LIST OF INTERVENORS

November 14, 2008

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LATE INTERVENTIONS

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