

EB-2025-0192

Wataynikaneyap Power LP

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

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1 August 22, 2025

Wataynikaneyap Power LP by its general partner Wataynikaneyap Power GP Inc. (together, WPLP) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on July 4, 2025 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval to change its electricity transmission rates and to charge Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. fixed monthly charges, both effective January 1, 2026.

The application will be heard by Commissioners Patrick Moran (presiding), Vinay Sharma, and David Sword.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on July 28, 2025. No intervention requests were received by the OEB.

Issues List

The OEB is making provision for the development of an issues list prior to the filing of written interrogatories. WPLP and OEB staff shall use the draft issues list at Exhibit A-8-1 of the application as a starting point. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list with the OEB. If there is no agreement on the draft issues list, OEB staff will advise the OEB in writing. The OEB will approve an issues list prior to the filing of interrogatories.

Interrogatories

At this time, provision is being made for written interrogatories.

Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's <u>Rules of Practice and Procedure</u> regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

Settlement Conference

The OEB is making provision for a settlement conference. Given that this proceeding has no intervenors, and pursuant to the <u>Practice Direction on Settlement Conferences</u>, OEB staff will be a party to the settlement conference and any resulting settlement proposal.

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

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. OEB staff shall file a proposed issues list, or, alternatively, shall advise the OEB in writing that WPLP and OEB staff have been unable to reach an agreement on a draft issues list by **August 29, 2025**.
- 2. OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from WPLP that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on WPLP by **September 16, 2025**.
- 3. WPLP shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories by **October 3, 2025**.
- 4. A settlement conference between WPLP and OEB staff will be convened on **October 21** starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the settlement conference will continue on **October 22**, **2025**. This will be a virtual event and information on how to participate will be provided in advance of the conference.
- 5. **Within 48 hours** of the conclusion of the settlement conference, WPLP shall file a letter informing the OEB of the status of the settlement discussions including whether a tentative agreement has been reached or if WPLP and OEB staff propose to continue the settlement discussions.
- 6. If there is no settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference, WPLP shall file a statement to that effect with the OEB by **October 28, 2025**. In that event, WPLP and OEB staff shall file and serve on each other by **November 4, 2025**, any submission on which issues shall be heard in writing, and for which issues the OEB should hold an oral hearing.
- 7. If there is a settlement proposal arising from the settlement conference, it shall be filed with the OEB on or before **November 10, 2025**. In addition to outlining the terms of any settlement, the settlement proposal shall contain a list of any

unsettled issues, indicating with reasons whether WPLP and/or OEB staff believe those issues should be dealt with by way of oral or written hearing.

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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- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact registrar@oeb.ca for assistance.

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, Katherine Wang, at Katherine.Wang@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ian Richler at ian.richler@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **August 22, 2025**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Ritchie Murray

Ritchie Murray Acting Registrar