



October 1, 2025

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

Re: EB-2025-0014 Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. Format of Hearing

Dear Mr. Murray:

On September 22, 2025, Oshawa PUC Networks filed the settlement proposal in the above proceeding, which contained a list of unsettled issues. The settlement proposal noted that the parties had not agreed to the form of hearing. Procedural No. 4 dated September 25, 2025, made provision for written submissions from the parties on their preference on the form of the hearing on the unsettled issues (with reasons).

AMPCO proposes that issues 3.2, 5.1, 5.2, 7.1 and 7.2 are appropriate for a written hearing.

Key inputs to revenue requirement were not settled by the parties. Oshawa PUC Networks' application proposes significant increased spending in both Capital¹ and OM&A² compared to 2021 actuals³ which is further exacerbated by the proposal to request funding for a new administrative building during the rate term. The new building is not included in the capital forecast in the DSP or the proposed customer bill impacts.

In AMPCO's view, further discussion of Oshawa PUC Networks' evidence on its proposed spending strategy is required to provide further clarity on the interaction between the capital forecast, the building proposal and the proposed operating plan. This requires the ability to question witnesses. As a result, AMPCO's preference is that the remaining unsettled issues be heard by way of an oral hearing.

AMPCO has reviewed the draft submissions of SEC and agrees with SEC that the OEB should require the witnesses to attend in person unless exceptional circumstances make that impossible.

¹ Capital is forecast to increase by 35.6% comparing 2026 Test Year net amount of \$17.019M to \$12.552M (2021 Actuals)

² OM&A is forecast to increase by 67.5% comparing 2026 Test Year amount of \$22.72M to \$13.3M (2021 Actuals)

³ Data from KM1.1 SEC Motions Hearing p. 2 and 6

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shelley Grice".

Shelley Grice
Consultant
c/o AMPCO