



**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other  
charges effective January 1, 2026**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1**

**October 8, 2025**

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed a custom incentive rate-setting (CIR) update application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on September 29, 2025, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective **January 1, 2026**. This is the first consolidated annual application by Hydro One seeking approval of the 2026 distribution rates and charges for Hydro One Distribution, Orillia Rate Zone and Peterborough Rate Zone. This application seeks final approval to dispose various account balances, including 2021 to 2024 wheeling charges, Account 1588 and 1589 balances for 2023, the 2024 Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts, and Earnings Sharing Mechanism balance, which includes an adjustment. It also requests approval for eligible Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism amounts, and a Z-Factor claim to recover costs incurred due to the ice storm that occurred in March 2025.

The application will be heard by commissioners: Vinay Sharma (presiding), Damian A. Côté, and Patrick Moran.

A Notice of Hearing was issued on September 22, 2025. Each of Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA), School Energy Coalition (SEC), and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) applied for intervenor status. CCC, SEC and VECC also applied for cost eligibility.

No objection was received from Hydro One.

CCC, OFA, SEC, and VECC are approved as intervenors. The list of parties in this proceeding is attached as Schedule A to this Procedural Order. CCC, SEC and VECC are eligible to apply for awards of costs under the OEB's [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

## Confidentiality Request

As part of its filing and under separate cover letter, Hydro One requested confidential treatment of certain portions of the Orillia Wheeling Agreements (Exhibit A-04-07), specifically Tables 1 and 2, along with the related Excel attachments. Hydro One submitted that the information is considered presumptively confidential under Appendix B, part 3 of the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings* (Practice Direction) and if disclosed, the information could prejudice Orillia Power Generation Corporation's economic interests and competitive position when negotiating future agreements.

Pursuant to the Practice Direction, Hydro One filed a redacted copy for the public record and filed an unredacted copy separately in confidence.

Parties that wish to object to the confidentiality request should refer to section 4 of the Practice Direction and follow the timelines and process in sections 5.1.6 and 5.1.7 of the Practice Direction. Hydro One should follow the timelines and process in section 5.1.8 of the Practice Direction if it wishes to respond to any objections.

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. If intervenors or OEB staff have any objections to Hydro One's request for confidentiality, they shall file their written submission with the OEB and serve it on Hydro One by **October 15, 2025**.
2. If Hydro One wishes to respond to any submission on confidentiality, it must file its written reply with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **October 22, 2025**.
3. OEB staff and intervenors shall request any relevant information and documentation from Hydro One that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Hydro One and all other parties by **October 20, 2025**.
4. Hydro One shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on all intervenors by **October 31, 2025**.
5. Any written submissions by OEB staff and intervenors shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties by **November 13, 2025**.

6. Hydro One may file a written reply submission with the OEB and serve it on intervenors by **November 25, 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](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2025-0030** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the [Regulatory Electronic Submission System \(RESS\) Document Guidelines](#) found at the [File documents online page](#) on the OEB's website.
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet [set up an account](#), or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca) for assistance.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Please visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. All participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by 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, Lizzie Zhang at [lizzie.zhang@oeb.ca](mailto:lizzie.zhang@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at [james.sidlofsky@oeb.ca](mailto:james.sidlofsky@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, **October 8, 2025**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**By delegation, before: Ritchie Murray**

Ritchie Murray  
Acting Registrar

**Schedule A**

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