



**BFN Transmission GP Holding Company Inc., on behalf
of 1000757443 Ontario LP**

**Application for authority to expropriate certain interests in
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PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3

March 13, 2026

On November 17, 2025, BFN Transmission GP Holding Company Inc., on behalf of 1000757443 Ontario LP, (the Applicant) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 99 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) (OEB Act), for an order granting authority to expropriate certain land interests in the form of a permanent easement. The Applicant states that the expropriation is needed to facilitate the construction of a new 45-kilometer 115 kV transmission line which will extend from a new switching station near the Hydro One Hollingsworth Transmission Station and will terminate at a new sub-station being constructed at the Island Gold Mine located in Finan Township, in the Algoma District (the Project).

In Procedural Order No. 2, issued on March 6, 2026, the OEB made provisions for written submissions.

On March 10, 2026, Grant Lake filed a letter to the OEB requesting that the OEB reconsider the procedural directions in Procedural Order No. 2. On March 11, 2026, the Applicant filed a letter with the OEB in response to Grant Lake.

Grant Lake's Request for Procedural Reconsideration

In its March 10, 2026, letter, Grant Lake informed the OEB that it intends to file a motion for further and better responses to a small number of the Applicant's interrogatory responses to Grant Lake.

Additionally, Grant Lake noted that it may seek to file evidence after the disposition of the motion for better responses to certain interrogatories and asked that the OEB reserve a determination on whether the application proceeds by way of an oral or written hearing until Grant Lake has had an opportunity to make submissions in that respect.

In its March 11, 2026, letter, the Applicant objected to Grant Lake's request stating that it had provided detailed and comprehensive responses to Grant Lake's interrogatories. The Applicant stated that Grant Lake has had sufficient time to review the Applicant's responses and had not raised any concerns until the March 10, 2026, letter.

Findings

The OEB will hear Grant Lake's Motion and provide parties with an opportunity to make submissions on the Motion. The OEB reminds the parties that only the issues within the scope of this proceeding will be considered. The OEB will adjust the procedural steps outlined in Procedural Order No. 2 to accommodate this request.

The OEB will consider Grant Lake's request to file evidence at the appropriate time. However, Grant Lake shall inform the OEB, in advance of any formal request to file evidence, of what areas the evidence may focus on, what the scope of the evidence will be, and how that evidence may relate to the interrogatories that are the subject of the motion.

The OEB will determine the type of hearing at a later date.

The dates established in Procedural Order No. 2 are hereby cancelled. It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Grant Lake shall file a Notice of Motion with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **March 18, 2026**.
2. Grant Lake shall provide the OEB and all other parties with a summary of its potential proposed evidence, including the scope of such evidence and how it may relate to the interrogatories that are the subject of the motion, by **March 19, 2026**.
3. The Applicant shall file submissions related to the Motion with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **March 25, 2026**.
4. Any written reply submissions on the Motion by the Grant Lake shall be filed with the OEB and served on all other parties by **April 1, 2026**.

Direction for preparing materials

- 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](#).
- Filings should clearly state the filing date and the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address.
- Other than for applications or as otherwise required or directed by the OEB, parties are not required to submit a cover letter for materials that are self-evident (e.g., interrogatories, submissions) unless the cover letter includes a request or additional information not included in the materials themselves.
- Parties are strongly encouraged to use bookmarks in their filings to aid in navigation.
- Parties should not append to their evidence entire OEB documents (e.g., decisions, policy documents, guidelines). Rather, parties should provide citations to the documents and a clear and concise summary of the relevant part(s) of the document. Parties are encouraged to use hyperlinks for complete, permanent, and publicly available versions of the documents, when possible.
- Parties should refrain from quoting material from documents unless it is essential to support their interrogatories or arguments.
- Parties are not required to provide a summary of the procedural history of a proceeding but may refer to that history where and to the extent needed for context to orient an issue or discussion.
- Parties must: (a) disclose where generative artificial intelligence was used to generate content included in a filing and (b) confirm that the accuracy of the portion of the filing generated by generative artificial intelligence has been verified by the party or its representative without the assistance of generative artificial intelligence.

How to file documents with the OEB

- Parties are required to quote file number (i.e., **EB-2025-0314**) for all materials filed and submit them in **searchable/unrestricted PDF format** (i.e., no printing or copying restrictions) with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).
- Parties should 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 for assistance.
- Cost claims are filed through the OEB's online filing portal. Parties are encouraged to visit the [File documents online page](#) of the OEB's website for more information. Parties that are eligible for a cost award and that do not currently have an account in the cost claim portal should create an account as soon as their cost award eligibility has been confirmed by the OEB. All parties shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim for the purposes of service on the party(ies) paying cost awards 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, Muhammad Yunus, at Muhammad.Yunus@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Michael Millar, at Michael.Millar@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **March 13, 2026**

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Ritchie Murray
Acting Registrar