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EB-2026-0066

Ottawa River Power Corp.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges beginning May 1, 2027

DECISION ON CONFIDENTIALITY
November 13, 2026

Ottawa River Power Corp. (Ottawa River Power) applied under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, for changes to the rates it charges for electricity distribution effective May 1, 2027. The company filed its application on August 28, 2026.

On September 11, 2026, the OEB issued a completeness letter in respect of Ottawa River Power's application. On September 21, 2026, the OEB issued a Notice of Hearing.

In Procedural Order No. 1, issued on October 16, 2026, the OEB directed OEB staff to canvas Ottawa River Power, and intervenors for any unique issues that warrant addition to the standard Issues List for electricity distribution rate applications, and then to file a proposed Issues List, or alternatively, advise the OEB in writing that parties and OEB staff were unable to reach an agreement on a proposed Issues List.

In Procedural Order No. 2, issued on November 2, 2026, the OEB made provision for OEB staff and intervenors to file any written submissions concerning the request for confidential treatment sought by Ottawa River Power.

Confidentiality Request

Ottawa River Power requested confidential treatment of the entirety of Appendix 3A to Exhibit 3, pursuant to the OEB's Practice Direction on Confidential Filings (Practice Direction). Ottawa River Power noted that Appendix 3A is comprised exclusively of usage date relating to a single commercial customer. Further, Ottawa River Power indicated that the information is commercially sensitive and falls squarely within the category of information that is presumptively confidential under section 4.1.1 and Appendix B, item 3 of the Practice Direction, which includes information that would disclose the load profile or energy usage of a specific customer that is not personal information.

Ottawa River Power also stated that given that the entire appendix consists of this customer-specific information, there is no meaningful redacted version that could be placed on the public record. Ottawa River Power therefore requested that the appendix in its entirety be treated as confidential.

On November 3, 2026, OEB staff submitted that it has no concern with Ottawa River Power's proposed confidentiality request. OEB staff agreed that Appendix 3A to Exhibit 3 contains information that would disclose energy usage of a specific customer that is not personal information, therefore confidential under the Practice Direction.

Accordingly, OEB staff submitted that the entirety of Appendix 3A should be treated as confidential. No other parties submitted on Ottawa River Power's confidentiality request.

Findings

The OEB approves the treatment of the entirety of Appendix 3A as confidential.

The OEB finds that the information would disclose energy usage of a specific customer that is not personal information but is commercially sensitive and therefore falls within the category of information that is presumptively confidential under section 4.1.1 and Appendix B, item 3 of the Practice Direction.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Appendix 3A to Exhibit 3 shall remain confidential, as requested by Ottawa River Power Corporation.

2. Ottawa River Power shall provide individuals that have signed and filed a Declaration and Undertaking with the confidential appendix.

DATED at Toronto, **November 13, 2026**

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