

EB-2008-0238

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Northern Ontario Wires Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

## PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 2

Northern Ontario Wires Inc. ("NOW") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on August 20, 2008 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that NOW charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2009.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on September 17, 2008. Procedural Order No. 1, was issued on October 27, 2008. The Board made provision for written interrogatories and a transcribed technical conference. The purpose of the technical conference was to allow parties to ask supplemental questions to better understand NOW's interrogatory responses and to provide parties the opportunity to scope issues for a potential settlement conference.

The Board has determined that the technical conference is not required. Instead the Board has determined that intervenors and Board staff may submit supplemental interrogatories. These supplemental interrogatories should arise out of responses provided to the first set of interrogatories or new information filed by NOW since it filed its original application. It is the Board's expectation that parties will use the supplemental interrogatories to ensure both clarity of the record and that any new information is filed and tested in advance of final arguments.

Please note that this Procedural Order may be amended, and further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. If Board staff and intervenors wish information and material that is in addition to NOW's pre-filed evidence and responses to interrogatories, Board staff and intervenors shall request it by written supplemental interrogatories, filed with the Board and delivered to NOW on or before **January 14, 2009**.
- 2. NOW shall file with the Board complete responses to the supplemental interrogatories and deliver them to the intervenors no later than **January 21**, **2009**.
- If Board staff wishes to make a written submission on the application, Board staff
  must file that submission with the Board, and deliver it to NOW and other
  intervenors by February 11, 2009.
- 4. Intervenors who wish to make a written submission on the application must file that submission with the Board, and deliver it to NOW and other intervenors by **February 17, 2009**.
- 5. If NOW wishes to respond to a submission, the response must be filed with the Board and delivered to intervenors by **March 2, 2009**.

All filings to the Board must quote file number, EB-2008-0238, be made through the Board's web portal at <a href="www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.errr.oeb.gov.on.ca</a>, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <a href="www.oeb.gov.on.ca">www.oeb.gov.on.ca</a>. If the web portal is not available you may email your document to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD or diskette in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

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**DATED** at Toronto, January 9, 2009 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

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