



**EB-2012-0136**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN  
ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE**

**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for permission to increase its delivery charges beginning January 1, 2013. The application was filed on June 15, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), under the Board's guidelines for 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates between cost-of-service applications. Hydro One's application also includes a request to establish a rate rider to recover incremental capital additions of \$645 million using the Board's Incremental Capital Module, and a request to adjust rates based on the results of a customer Density Study completed in 2011.

Delivery charges are one of four regular items on Residential and General Service customers' electric bills and vary depending on the amount of electricity consumed. If the application is approved as applied for, a representative monthly bill for a Residential customer who consumes 800 kWh per month would increase by about \$2.95. A representative monthly bill for a General Service customer consuming 2,000 kWh per month and having a monthly demand of less than 50 kW would increase by about \$6.19. The proposed changes to the Delivery charges are separate from other potential changes to the electricity bills, which are not affected by this application.

On a more specific basis, due to the implementation of the density study findings and the finalization of Hydro One's rate harmonization plan for General Service customers in Quinte West and Smiths Falls, Hydro One indicates that if the application is approved as filed, the 2013 monthly bill impact will range from a decrease of 2.3% or \$3.05 to an increase of 4.1% or \$6.22 for Residential customers consuming 800 kWh per month.

For General Service energy-billed customers consuming 2,000 kWh per month the monthly bill impact will range from a decrease of 5.0% or \$14.77 to an increase of 3.8% or \$13.06.

For additional information on billing items visit the Consumer page of the Board's website at <http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca>.

The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2012-0136. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on all of Hydro One's customers.

The Board will proceed with this application by way of an oral hearing.

### **How to see Hydro One's Application**

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2012-0136 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and on Hydro One's website at [www.HydroOne.com](http://www.HydroOne.com) and at the following Hydro One Networks Inc. offices:

Head Office, 8th Floor, South Tower, 483 Bay Street, Toronto  
Barrie Field Business Centre, 45 Sarjeant Drive, Barrie  
Peterborough Field Business Centre, 913 Crawford Drive, Peterborough  
Sudbury Field Business Centre, 957 Falconbridge Road, Sudbury  
Merivale Service Centre, 31 Woodfield Drive, Ottawa  
Dundas Field Business Centre, 40 Olympic Drive, Dundas  
Beachville Field Business Centre, 56 Embro Street, Beachville  
Thunder Bay Field Business Centre, 255 Burwood Road, Thunder Bay

### **How to Participate**

#### **Comment**

If you wish to give your opinion on the proceeding to the Board Members hearing the application, you are invited to send a written letter of comment to the Board no later than **30 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Hearing Panel.

**Observe**

If you do not wish to actively participate in the proceeding but you do wish to receive documents issued by the Board, you may request observer status. Your written request must be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice.

**Personal Information in Letters of Comment and Observer Requests**

All letters of comment or letters requesting observer status will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's office and will be available on the Board's website. Before placing the letters on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e. not business) contact information from the letters (i.e. the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the letter will become part of the public record. Please address your letter to the Board Secretary at the address below, and reference file number **EB-2012-0136** at the top of your letter.

**Intervene**

If you wish to actively participate in the proceeding (e.g., submit questions, file argument), you may request intervenor status from the Board no later than **10 days** after the publication or service date of this notice. Instructions for requesting intervenor status are available on the Board's website at [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate). Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which can be seen at the Board's office and will be available on the Board's website.

If you do not have internet access, please call 1-888-632-2727 to receive information about this proceeding and how to participate.

**IMPORTANT**

**IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDING.**

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**DATED** at Toronto, **July 6, 2012**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

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