



**Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited**

**Application for electricity distribution rates  
beginning January 1, 2025**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2  
January 26, 2024**

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (Toronto Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 17, 2023, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Toronto Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2025, and for each following year through to December 31, 2029.

Procedural Order No. 1 issued, on January 15, 2024, approved the parties in this proceeding and set out procedural steps for, among other matters, the dates related to the technical conference.

On January 24, 2024, Toronto Hydro filed a letter with the OEB requesting the dates of the technical conference be changed from April 2-8, 2024, to April 8-12, 2024. Toronto Hydro confirmed it would prioritize all technical conference undertaking responses relevant to either OEB staff or intervenor evidence and file the same by April 18, 2024. Any undertakings unrelated to OEB staff and intervenor evidence would be filed no later than April 22, 2024. Toronto Hydro further confirmed that the remainder of the illustrative hearing schedules, set out in Procedural Order No. 1, would not be impacted.

The OEB approves Toronto Hydro's request. The OEB requires parties to file a description of the specific areas that they will be focusing on in the technical conference and provide an estimate of time required for each area of focus by **April 2, 2024**. This will allow a technical conference schedule to be developed. If parties wish to file specific questions in advance, they may do so. The technical conference will start on **April 8, 2024**, and continue until **April 12, 2024**, if necessary. Responses to undertakings related to OEB staff or intervenor evidence from the technical conference shall be filed with the OEB by **April 18, 2024**. Any undertaking responses unrelated to OEB staff and intervenor evidence shall be filed by **April 22, 2024**. All other procedural steps and deadline dates in Procedural Order No. 1 remain the same. The OEB has attached updated illustrative hearing schedules in Schedule A of this Procedural Order.

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. A transcribed technical conference will be held on **April 8, 2024**, starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the technical conference will continue on **April 9, 10, 11, and 12, 2024**. OEB staff and intervenors shall file with the OEB, and provide to Toronto Hydro, a description of the specific areas they will focus on at the technical conference, and time estimates by **April 2, 2024**. Further information on how to participate in the event will be communicated to parties closer to the date.
2. Responses to technical conference undertakings related to OEB staff and intervenor evidence shall be filed with the OEB and sent to all intervenors by **April 18, 2024**.
3. Responses to technical conference undertakings unrelated to OEB staff and intervenor evidence shall be filed with the OEB and sent to all intervenors by **April 22, 2024**.

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-2023-0195** 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 at the address below and be received by end of business, 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, Thomas Eminowicz at [Thomas.Eminowicz@oeb.ca](mailto:Thomas.Eminowicz@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at [Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca](mailto:Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca) and Charlotte Kanya-Forstner at [Charlotte.KanyaForstner@oeb.ca](mailto:Charlotte.KanyaForstner@oeb.ca).

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Tel: 1-877-632-2727 (Toll free)

**DATED** at Toronto, **January 26, 2024**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar

**Schedule A**  
**Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited**  
**EB-2023-0195**  
**Illustrative Hearing Schedules**

## Illustrative Hearing Schedule – Scenario 1

A substantial settlement occurs.

	Calendar Date	Calendar Days Elapsed
Application Filed	Friday, November 17, 2023	-14
OEB Issues Acknowledgement Letter	Monday, November 20, 2023	-10
OEB Issues Completeness Letter	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
OEB Issues Notice of Hearing	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
Affidavits of Service received	Monday, December 11, 2023	10
Last day of publication	Monday, December 15, 2023	14
<i>Holiday Break (December 16, 2023 to January 7, 2024)</i>		
Interventions Close	Monday, January 8, 2024	15
OEB Issues Procedural Order No. 1	Monday, January 15, 2024	22
Issues Conference	Monday, January 22, 2024	29
Submissions on Issues that parties unable to reach consensus	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
If agreement reached, OEB staff files proposed issues list	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
OEB Staff and Intervenor to file submissions on confidentiality, if any	Wednesday, January 24, 2024	31
Applicant to file reply submissions on confidentiality	Monday, January 29, 2024	36
OEB Staff and Intervenor letters on intention to submit Expert Evidence	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
Interrogatories - Staff and Intervenor	Monday, February 12, 2024	50
Toronto Hydro files responses to interrogatories	Monday, March 11, 2024	78
<i>March Break (March 11 to March 15, 2024)</i>		
OEB staff and intervenors to file topic areas and time estimates for Technical Conference	Tuesday, April 2, 2024	100
Technical Conference Begins	Monday, April 8, 2024	106
Technical Conference Ends (5 days)	Friday, April 12, 2024	110
Undertaking Responses related to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Thursday, April 18, 2024	116
Undertaking Responses unrelated to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Monday, April 22, 2024	120
Motions Hearing Held (RE: Incomplete responses to interrogatories & Undertakings)	Thursday, April 25, 2024	123
OEB Staff and Intervenor file Evidence, if any	Wednesday, May 1, 2024	129
Interrogatories on OEB Staff/Intervenor Evidence	Wednesday, May 8, 2024	136
OEB staff and intervenor responses to interrogatories on evidence filed	Friday, May 17, 2024	145
Transcribed Evidence Presentation by Toronto Hydro	Wednesday, May 22, 2024	150
Settlement Conference Begins	Monday, May 27, 2024	155
Settlement Progress Letter Filed	Friday, May 31, 2024	159
Potential additional settlement days begin	Monday, June 3, 2024	162
Potential additional settlement days end	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	164
Settlement Proposal Filed (SUBSTANTIAL Settlement)	Tuesday, July 2, 2024	191
OEB Staff Submission on Settlement Proposal Filed	Friday, 12 July, 2024	201
Presentation of Settlement Agreement & Oral Hearing on Unsettled Issues begins (1 week)	Monday, July 22, 2024	211
Oral Hearing Ends	Friday, July 26, 2024	215
Undertakings from Oral Hearing Filed	Friday, August 2, 2024	222
Argument-in-chief filed	Friday, August 2, 2024	222
OEB Staff and Intervenor Submissions filed	Wednesday, August 21, 2024	241
Reply Argument Filed	Friday, September 13, 2024	264

## Illustrative Hearing Schedule – Scenario 2

No settlement is reached.

	Calendar Date	Calendar Days Elapsed
Application Filed	Friday, November 17, 2023	-14
OEB Issues Acknowledgement Letter	Monday, November 20, 2023	-10
OEB Issues Completeness Letter	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
OEB Issues Notice of Hearing	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
Affidavits of Service received	Monday, December 11, 2023	10
Last day of publication	Monday, December 15, 2023	14
<i>Holiday Break (December 16, 2023 to January 7, 2024)</i>		
Interventions Close	Monday, January 8, 2024	15
OEB Issues Procedural Order No. 1	Monday, January 15, 2024	22
Issues Conference	Monday, January 22, 2024	29
Submissions on Issues that parties unable to reach consensus	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
If agreement reached, OEB staff files proposed issues list	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
OEB Staff and Intervenors to file submissions on confidentiality, if any	Wednesday, January 24, 2024	31
Applicant to file reply submissions on confidentiality	Monday, January 29, 2024	36
OEB Staff and Intervenor letters on intention to submit Expert Evidence	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
Interrogatories - Staff and Intervenors	Monday, February 12, 2024	50
Toronto Hydro files responses to interrogatories	Monday, March 11, 2024	78
<i>March Break (March 11 to March 15, 2024)</i>		
OEB staff and intervenors to file topic areas and time estimates for Technical Conference	Tuesday, April 2, 2024	100
Technical Conference Begins	Monday, April 8, 2024	106
Technical Conference Ends (5 days)	Friday, April 12, 2024	110
Undertaking Responses related to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Thursday, April 18, 2024	116
Undertaking Responses unrelated to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Monday, April 22, 2024	120
Motions Hearing Held (RE: Incomplete responses to interrogatories & Undertakings)	Thursday, April 25, 2024	123
OEB Staff and Intervenors file Evidence, if any	Wednesday, May 1, 2024	129
Interrogatories on OEB Staff/Intervenor Evidence	Wednesday, May 8, 2024	136
OEB staff and intervenor responses to interrogatories on evidence filed	Friday, May 17, 2024	145
Transcribed Evidence Presentation by Toronto Hydro	Wednesday, May 22, 2024	150
Settlement Conference Begins	Monday, May 27, 2024	155
Settlement Conference Ends & Settlement Progress Letter Filed	Friday, May 31, 2024	159
Oral Hearing on ALL Issues begins (3.5 weeks)	Tuesday, July 2, 2024	191
Oral Hearing Ends	Friday, July 26, 2024	215
Undertakings from Oral Hearing Filed	Friday, August 2, 2024	222
Argument-in-chief filed	Friday, August 2, 2024	222
OEB Staff and Intervenor Submissions filed	Wednesday, August 21, 2024	241
Reply Argument Filed	Friday, September 13, 2024	264

### Illustrative Hearing Schedule – Scenario 3

A partial settlement is reached.

	Calendar Date	Calendar Days Elapsed
Application Filed	Friday, November 17, 2023	-14
OEB Issues Acknowledgement Letter	Monday, November 20, 2023	-10
OEB Issues Completeness Letter	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
OEB Issues Notice of Hearing	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
Affidavits of Service received	Monday, December 11, 2023	10
Last day of publication	Monday, December 15, 2023	14
<i>Holiday Break (December 16, 2023 to January 7, 2024)</i>		
Interventions Close	Monday, January 8, 2024	15
OEB Issues Procedural Order No. 1	Monday, January 15, 2024	22
Issues Conference	Monday, January 22, 2024	29
Submissions on Issues that parties unable to reach consensus	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
If agreement reached, OEB staff files proposed issues list	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
OEB Staff and Intervenor to file submissions on confidentiality, if any	Wednesday, January 24, 2024	31
Applicant to file reply submissions on confidentiality	Monday, January 29, 2024	36
OEB Staff and Intervenor letters on intention to submit Expert Evidence	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
Interrogatories - Staff and Intervenor	Monday, February 12, 2024	50
Toronto Hydro files responses to interrogatories	Monday, March 11, 2024	78
<i>March Break (March 11 to March 15, 2024)</i>		
OEB staff and intervenors to file topic areas and time estimates for Technical Conference	Tuesday, April 2, 2024	100
Technical Conference Begins	Monday, April 8, 2024	106
Technical Conference Ends (5 days)	Friday, April 12, 2024	110
Undertaking Responses related to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Thursday, April 18, 2024	116
Undertaking Responses unrelated to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Monday, April 22, 2024	120
Motions Hearing Held (RE: Incomplete responses to interrogatories & Undertakings)	Thursday, April 25, 2024	123
OEB Staff and Intervenor file Evidence, if any	Wednesday, May 1, 2024	129
Interrogatories on OEB Staff/Intervenor Evidence	Wednesday, May 8, 2024	136
OEB staff and intervenor responses to interrogatories on evidence filed	Friday, May 17, 2024	145
Transcribed Evidence Presentation by Toronto Hydro	Wednesday, May 22, 2024	150
Settlement Conference Begins	Monday, May 27, 2024	155
Settlement Progress Letter Filed	Friday, May 31, 2024	159
Potential additional settlement days begin	Monday, June 3, 2024	162
Potential additional settlement days end	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	164
Settlement Proposal Filed (PARTIAL Settlement)	Friday, June 21, 2024	180
OEB Staff Submission on Settlement Proposal Filed	Friday, June 28, 2024	187
Presentation of Settlement Agreement & Oral Hearing on Unsettled Issues begins (2 weeks)	Thursday, July 11, 2024	200
Oral Hearing Ends/Decision on Settlement Agreement	Thursday, July 25, 2024	214
Undertakings from Oral Hearing Filed	Friday, August 2, 2024	222
Argument-in-chief filed	Monday, July 29, 2024	222
OEB Staff and Intervenor Submissions filed	Wednesday, August 21, 2024	241
Reply Argument Filed	Friday, September 13, 2024	264



## Illustrative Hearing Schedule – Scenario 4

A full settlement is reached.

	Calendar Date	Calendar Days Elapsed
Application Filed	Friday, November 17, 2023	-14
OEB Issues Acknowledgement Letter	Monday, November 20, 2023	-10
OEB Issues Completeness Letter	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
OEB Issues Notice of Hearing	Friday, December 1, 2023	0
Affidavits of Service received	Monday, December 11, 2023	10
Last day of publication	Monday, December 15, 2023	14
<i>Holiday Break (December 16, 2023 to January 7, 2024)</i>		
Interventions Close	Monday, January 8, 2024	15
OEB Issues Procedural Order No. 1	Monday, January 15, 2024	22
Issues Conference	Monday, January 22, 2024	29
Submissions on Issues that parties unable to reach consensus	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
If agreement reached, OEB staff files proposed issues list	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
OEB Staff and Intervenors to file submissions on confidentiality, if any	Wednesday, January 24, 2024	31
Applicant to file reply submissions on confidentiality	Monday, January 29, 2024	36
OEB Staff and Intervenor letters on intention to submit Expert Evidence	Friday, January 26, 2024	33
Interrogatories - Staff and Intervenors	Monday, February 12, 2024	50
Toronto Hydro files responses to interrogatories	Monday, March 11, 2024	78
<i>March Break (March 11 to March 15, 2024)</i>		
OEB staff and intervenors to file topic areas and time estimates for Technical Conference	Tuesday, April 2, 2024	100
Technical Conference Begins	Monday, April 8, 2024	106
Technical Conference Ends (5 days)	Friday, April 12, 2024	110
Undertaking Responses related to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Thursday, April 18, 2024	116
Undertaking Responses unrelated to OEB Staff and Intervenor Evidence Filed	Monday, April 22, 2024	120
Motions Hearing Held (RE: Incomplete responses to interrogatories & Undertakings)	Thursday, April 25, 2024	123
OEB Staff and Intervenors file Evidence, if any	Wednesday, May 1, 2024	129
Interrogatories on OEB Staff/Intervenor Evidence	Wednesday, May 8, 2024	136
OEB staff and intervenor responses to interrogatories on evidence filed	Friday, May 17, 2024	145
Transcribed Evidence Presentation by Toronto Hydro	Wednesday, May 22, 2024	150
Settlement Conference Begins	Monday, May 27, 2024	155
Settlement Progress Letter Filed	Friday, May 31, 2024	159
Potential additional settlement days begin	Monday, June 3, 2024	162
Potential additional settlement days end	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	164
Settlement Proposal Filed (FULL Settlement)	Friday, July 5, 2024	194
OEB Staff Submission on Settlement Proposal Filed	Friday, July 19, 2024	208