



Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc.

**Application for electricity transmission rate changes
beginning January 1, 2024**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4
February 21, 2024**

Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc. (Upper Canada Transmission) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 10, 2023 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval to change the rates that it charges for electricity transmission, effective January 1, 2024.

Procedural Order No. 1 issued on November 28, 2023, approved the parties in this proceeding and set out procedural steps for, among other matters, the dates related to the settlement conference. In Procedural Order No. 2, issued on January 29, 2024, dates for procedural steps, including the settlement conference, were revised due to Upper Canada Transmission's request for an extension to file interrogatory responses. In Procedural Order No. 3 issued on February 12, 2024, the OEB directed Upper Canada Transmission to answer Interrogatory SEC-4 and granted an extension to file confidentiality objections.

The settlement conference took place as scheduled on February 13 and 16, 2024. On February 16, 2024, Upper Canada Transmission filed a letter with the OEB advising negotiations were progressing and additional time was requested. Upper Canada Transmission also requested all other procedural steps be amended to accommodate this request, and comments on confidentiality requests and type of hearing be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the settlement conference.

Findings

The OEB will extend the settlement conference to February 26, 2024 and if necessary, February 28, 2024. All previous procedural steps are cancelled. The OEB will provide new dates for procedural steps after the conclusion of the settlement conference.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The settlement conference among the parties and OEB staff will continue on **February 26, 2024**, starting at 9:30 a.m. If necessary, the settlement conference will continue on **February 28, 2024**.
2. **Within 24 hours** of the conclusion of the settlement conference, Upper Canada Transmission shall file a letter informing the OEB of the status of the settlement discussions including whether a tentative settlement has been reached.

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](#).

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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, Michael Price at Michael.Price@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, February 21, 2024

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Nancy Marconi
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