



Orangeville Hydro Limited

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning May 1, 2024**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2
March 20, 2024**

Orangeville Hydro Limited (Orangeville Hydro) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 2, 2023, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval for changes to the rates that Orangeville Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2024.

Procedural Order No. 1 issued, on November 13, 2023, made provision for certain matters related to the proceeding, including the dates related to any settlement proposal, the OEB staff submission on the settlement proposal, and presentation of the settlement proposal by Orangeville Hydro.

On February 27, 2024, Orangeville Hydro requested an extension of the date to file the settlement proposal from February 28, 2024, to on or before March 13, 2024. Orangeville Hydro advised that the parties continue to work towards drafting a finalized Settlement Proposal, but that it would not be ready to be filed with the OEB on or before February 28, 2024.

On March 1, 2024, the OEB issued a letter approving Orangeville Hydro's request. The letter noted that in cases where an applicant requests a delay of two weeks or longer (as was the case here), the OEB would pause the proceeding for the duration of the delay, pursuant to its [Protocol for Adjusting Adjudicative Timelines](#). In a proceeding where the protocol is triggered, the performance standard will be extended by the total number of calendar days associated with the request, including the planned decision issuance date. The OEB also advised that all remaining dates set out in Procedural Order No. 1 would be cancelled.

Orangeville Hydro filed a settlement proposal on March 13, 2024. The OEB will now resume the processing of the application as of March 13, 2024 and will set a new date for the OEB staff submission on the settlement proposal. The OEB will not require Orangeville Hydro to present the settlement proposal to the OEB.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Any submission from OEB staff on a settlement proposal shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **March 25, 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-2023-0045** 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 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, Narisa Jotiban at Narisa.Jotiban@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at James.Sidlofsky@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, March 20, 2024

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