



Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other
charges beginning January 1, 2025**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 4

April 23, 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 January 15, 2024, provided for, among other things, a technical conference, a motions hearing if needed, and the filing of OEB staff and intervenor evidence. To determine if a motions hearing is necessary, OEB staff contacted parties to determine if any intended to file a motion. The OEB understands that as of April 22, 2024, at least one party has confirmed its intention to file motions.

The technical conference took place from April 8 to April 12, 2024. Responses to undertakings related to OEB staff or intervenor evidence from the technical conference were filed with the OEB on April 18, 2024. Undertaking responses unrelated to OEB staff and intervenor evidence were filed on April 22, 2024.

Given the short amount of time between the receipt of the undertaking responses and the motions hearing, the OEB will modify the steps in this proceeding related to the motions hearing and the filing of OEB staff and intervenor evidence.

The motions hearing scheduled to take place on April 25, 2024, will now take place on **April 29, 2024**. During the motions hearing, the OEB intends to hear oral motions regarding interrogatories or undertakings at issue. The objective is to avoid a lengthy written process.

To prepare for an oral process in this proceeding, intervenors and OEB staff who intend to present motions in the motions hearing shall file a letter with the OEB by **April 25, 2024**, indicating:

- The interrogatory or technical conference undertaking at issue
- References (or links) to any supporting documentation
- One paragraph explaining the reasons for wanting the information

The steps related to filing of expert evidence have been adjusted, as outlined below, due to the change of the motion hearing date.

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. If OEB staff and intervenors wish to present motions in the motions hearing, they shall file a letter with the OEB indicating the information sought, references to supporting documentation, and a one-paragraph explanation by **April 25, 2024**.
2. A transcribed motions hearing will be held on **April 29, 2024**.
3. If OEB staff or any intervenor are filing expert evidence that is relevant to this proceeding, that evidence shall be filed with the OEB and copied to Toronto Hydro and intervenors, by **May 2, 2024**.
4. If any party seeks information and material with respect to any evidence filed by OEB staff or any intervenor that is in addition to the evidence filed with the OEB, and that is relevant to this proceeding, that information shall be requested by written interrogatories filed with the OEB, and copied to Toronto Hydro and intervenors, by **May 9, 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](#).

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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, Thomas Eminowicz at Thomas.Eminowicz@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca and Charlotte Kanya-Forstner at Charlotte.KanyaForstner@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **April 23, 2024**

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Registrar