



**Canadian Niagara Power Inc.**  
**Application for Licence Amendment**  
**and Accounting Order**

**NOTICE OF HEARING AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1**  
**March 17, 2025**

On January 30, 2025, CNPI filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 74 (1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*. CNPI seeks amendments to its distribution licence<sup>1</sup> that would allow it to purchase power from National Grid (formerly Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation) through the New York Independent System Operator, and the approval of an Accounting Order to facilitate those purchases.

CNPI requests approval for the following:

- An exemption from section 3.2 of the Retail Settlement Code, to be effective during periods when CNPI's regular transmission connection to the IESO-controlled grid is unavailable due to outages (planned and unplanned) on the related transmission assets.
- An exemption from section 2.2.2 of the Standard Supply Service Code, to be effective when CNPI's regular transmission connection to the IESO-controlled grid is unavailable due to outages (planned and unplanned) on the related transmission assets.
- Approval of the draft Accounting Order provided in Appendix A of the application, to be applied to the cost of power purchased from National Grid during the August 20<sup>th</sup> 2023 to October 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 period and to any future purchases from National Grid, as may be required when CNPI's regular transmission connection is unavailable due to work (planned and unplanned) on the related transmission assets.

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<sup>1</sup> ED-2023-0265

## Request for intervenor status and cost eligibility

Intervenors of record in the OEB's proceedings on CNPI's application for 2022<sup>2</sup> and 2024<sup>3</sup> rates will be accepted as intervenors in this proceeding if they notify the OEB of their intention to participate in writing by emailing the Registrar at [registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca) by **March 28, 2025**. Any party that was determined to be eligible for costs in the proceeding on CNPI's application for 2022 and 2024 rates will be eligible for costs in this proceeding. Being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed.

To access CNPI's application please select the file number EB-2025-0081 on the OEB website: [www.oeb.ca/notice](http://www.oeb.ca/notice).

## Format of the Hearing

There are three types of OEB hearings: oral, electronic, and written. The OEB intends to proceed with a written hearing. If you have a preference for the type of hearing, you can write to us to explain why by **March 28, 2025**.

## Interrogatories and Submissions

At this time, the OEB is making provision for written interrogatories and submissions. Parties should consult sections 26 and 27 of the OEB's Rules of Practice and Procedure regarding required naming and numbering conventions and other matters related to interrogatories.

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. Intervenors of record in the OEB's proceedings on CNPI's application for 2022 and 2024 rates that wish to participate in this proceeding shall notify the OEB by letter by **March 28, 2025**. A copy of the letter must be sent to CNPI.
2. If intervenors or OEB staff seek information from CNPI that is in addition to the evidence filed with the OEB and that is relevant to the hearing, they shall request the information through written interrogatories filed with the OEB and delivered to all parties by **April 1, 2025**.

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<sup>2</sup> EB-2021-0011

<sup>3</sup> EB-2023-0009

3. CNPI shall file with the OEB complete written responses to all interrogatories and serve them on all parties by **April 16, 2025**.
4. Any written submissions from OEB staff and intervenors shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **May 1, 2025**.
5. Any written reply submissions from CNPI shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **May 16, 2025**.

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-2025-0081** 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, Michael Bell at [michael.bell@oeb.ca](mailto:michael.bell@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, Richard Lanni at [richard.lanni@oeb.ca](mailto:richard.lanni@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, March 17, 2025

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi**

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar