

EB-2006-0232

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING

ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION APPLICATION TO AMEND THE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION LICENCES OF ALL LICENSED ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTORS

On September 20, 2006, the Electricity Distributors Association filed with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") an application under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* seeking an order or orders amending the electricity distribution licences of all licensed electricity distributors in Ontario by amending the Board's *Affiliate Relationships Code for Electricity Distributors and Transmitters* (the "Code"). The Code sets out standards and conditions for the interaction between electricity distributors and electricity transmitters, on the one hand, and their affiliates on the other.

The amendments to the *Code* that are the subject matter of the Application relate to various matters including the provision of services to affiliates, the definition of the terms "confidential information" and "energy service provider" and the sharing of employees. The application also requests interim relief regarding the continuation of compliance activities pending determination of the application by the Board.

The Board has assigned File Number EB-2006-0232 to the Application.

How to see the Application

Copies of the Application are available for public inspection at the Board's office, at the Applicant's office and on the Applicant's website at www.eda-on.ca.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

- You may send the Board a letter of comment. Your letter should include any
 request to make an oral presentation to the Board, and must be received by the
 Board no later than 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice or, if you
 have been served this Notice directly, no later than 30 days from the date of
 service.
- You may request observer status in order to receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter received by the Board no later than 10 days from the date of publication of this Notice or, if you have been served this Notice directly, no later than 10 days from the date of service.
- 3. You may request intervenor status if you wish to actively participate in the proceeding. Your request must be made by letter of intervention received by the Board no later than 10 days from the date of publication of this Notice or, if you have been served this Notice directly, no later than 10 days from the date of service. Your letter of intervention must include a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the proceeding; and if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership. The Board may choose to hold either a written or an oral hearing. The Board will not hold a written hearing if a party satisfies the Board that there is good reason for holding an oral hearing. Your letter of intervention should indicate your preference for a written or oral hearing, and the reasons for that preference. The Board intends to make cost awards available in this proceeding. You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs and the grounds for your eligibility for costs. You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the Electricity Distributors Association and its counsel at the addresses set out below.

Need more information?

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's Web site at www.oeb.gov.on.ca or by calling the Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

How to contact us

In responding to this Notice, please make reference to Board file number EB-2006-0232. It is also important that you provide your name, telephone number and postal address and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received by **4:45 pm** on the required date.

For your convenience, the Board accepts letters of comment by courier, regular mail, fax or e-mail. The Board accepts letters requesting observer status and letters requesting intervenor status by courier, regular mail or fax. The Board's e-mail address is Boardsec@oeb.gov.on.ca and the Board's fax number is 416-440-7656. Please include the Board file number (EB-2006-0232) in the subject line of your e-mail.

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IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE OF THE PROCEEDING.

Dated at Toronto March 6, 2007

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Original signed by

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