Ontario Energy Board

Commission de l'Énergie de l'Ontario



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NOTICE OF PROCEEDING

Review of the Ontario Energy Board's Transmission System Code and Related Matters

The Transmission System Code (the "Code") outlines the rules regarding ownership and operation of electricity transmission systems. The Code includes a standard form of Connection Agreement (Appendix 1) to be used by transmitters and transmission customers. All licensed transmitters in the province must comply with the provisions of this Code as a condition of licence. The Code requires transmitters to submit to the Board for review their connection process which outlines procedures for processing connection requests and may include standard forms of Connection Cost Recovery Agreements associated with the connection.

The Board is initiating, on its own motion, a proceeding to determine if changes to the Code are required, including changes that may alter the effect of existing Connection Cost Recovery Agreements and Connection Agreements.

The Board designates Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") for the purpose of cost awards, to be administered in accordance with the Board's guidelines on costs.

Particulars of the Proceeding

The Board has become aware of concerns about certain provisions in the Transmission System Code and their interpretation and application. These concerns have come to the attention of the Board as a result of submissions to the Board from generators, large users, distributors, industry associations and transmitters. The Board has decided that there is a need to proceed with a broad-based review of the Code.

The scope of the proceeding with respect to the Code will include, but is not limited to transmission bypass, capital cost responsibility, rules for determining capital contributions and requirements for a transmitter's connection process, including appropriate time lines.

Potential participants should be aware of the following documents and material that are relevant to this review of the Code.

- Hydro One proposed amendments to the Code submitted in its letters to the Board Secretary dated September 27, 2001 and October 17, 2001. This has been given file number RP-1999-0057
- Hydro One's Customer Connections Process, particularly Appendices 5, 6,and 7, filed with the Board on January 30, 2002. This filing has been given file number EB-2002-0242 (RP-2002-0101).
- Ontario Power Generation Inc.'s ("OPG") application dated March 4, 2002 for an order of the Board amending Hydro One's Transitional Transmission Licence number ET-1999-0332. This filing has been given number RP-2002-0110.

As part of this Proceeding, the Board will make a decision regarding Hydro One's proposed amendments, Hydro One's Customer Connection Process and OPG's application to amend Hydro One's licence.

How to Participate

If you wish to participate in this Proceeding you must write a letter to the Board Secretary at the address listed below. Your letter **must** quote file number **RP-2002-0120** and be received by the Board Secretary by 4:45 PM on June 28, 2002. Your letter **must**:

- clearly state your name, address, e-mail address, telephone and fax number;
- include a brief description of issues, comments or proposed amendments you intend to address in the Proceeding.
- indicate whether you intend to seek an award of costs. The Board will only consider cost awards to eligible intervenors representing the public interest.

The Board will prepare a list of issues after which parties may have the opportunity to submit detailed submissions on these issues.

All filings with the Board **must** include 9 hard copies and will become part of the public record in the Proceeding. The Board requests that all parties make every effort to include a copy of their filings on disk in WordPerfect format, along with the hard copies that are filed.

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