ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

Hydro One Networks Inc. has applied to establish a new regulatory account to record and track development and capital costs related to certain types of electricity transmission projects.

Learn More. Have your say.

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to establish a new regulatory account, called the Affiliate Transmission Projects Account, effective May 28, 2021. If approved, the account will record and track development and capital costs related to large transmission projects where:

- Hydro One has or will receive project direction from the Independent Electricity System Operator, or an Order in Council or direction of the Minister of Energy (Previously, Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines) for the development or construction of a transmission project; and
- All or part of the project is expected to be owned by and included in the rate base of a new partnership and will not form part of Hydro One's rate base.

Hydro One says the account will apply to future transmission projects that meet the above criteria, and to the following three projects currently under development: the Chatham to Lakeshore Transmission Line; the Waasigan Transmission Reinforcement Line; and the Chatham to Lambton Transmission Line.

If the costs that are recorded in the proposed account are approved for recovery from customers in a future proceeding, this would have an effect on all electricity customers who are billed for electricity transmission.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The OEB will hold a public hearing to consider Hydro One's request. During this hearing, which could be an oral or written hearing, we will question Hydro One on its application for a new regulatory account. We will also hear questions and arguments from individuals that have registered to participate (called intervenors) in the OEB's hearing. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide if the proposed account should be approved.

In this hearing the OEB will only consider issues related to Hydro One's request to set up the new account. The OEB will not consider issues related to the appropriateness of the costs of the current projects that are proposed to be recorded in the account.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can read Hydro One's application on the OEB's website now
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing
- You can become an intervenor. As an intervenor, you can ask questions about Hydro One's application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve Hydro One's request. Apply by July 9th, 2021 or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website

LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2021-0169**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file a letter with your comments or become an intervenor, or to access the documents related to this case, please select the file number **EB-2021-0169** from the list on the OEB website: <u>Applications before the OEB | Ontario Energy Board</u>. You can also phone our Public Information Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **July 9**th, **2021.**

PRIVACY

If you write a letter with your comments, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the OEB's public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email

address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will be public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all your information will be public.

This application was filed under section 78.1 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B.

