

# ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF HALTON HILLS HYDRO INC.

**Halton Hills Hydro Inc. applied to increase its electricity distribution rates effective May 1, 2019.**

**Learn more. Have your say.**

Halton Hills Hydro Inc. applied to the Ontario Energy Board to increase its electricity distribution rates effective May 1, 2019. If the application is approved, a typical residential customer of Halton Hills Hydro Inc. would see an increase of approximately \$4.64 per month. Other customers, including businesses, may also be affected. The rate increase is due to Halton Hills Hydro Inc.'s request for incremental funding for the construction of a new transformer station that will be commissioned in 2019. Halton Hills Hydro Inc. is also asking for an exemption from the Ontario Energy Board's incremental funding policy and approval to treat the new transformer station as a distribution asset.

It should also be noted that in a separate proceeding currently before the Ontario Energy Board, Halton Hills Hydro Inc. is seeking approval to change its distribution rates effective May 1, 2019, based on an Ontario Energy Board-approved formula which is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency.

## **THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Halton Hills Hydro's request. We will determine whether the company has used the applicable models and formulas required by the OEB and whether to approve Halton Hills Hydro's request for a rate increase. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual customers and from groups that represent Halton Hills Hydro's customers. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide what, if any, rate increase will be allowed.

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 review Halton Hills Hydro'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 active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **January 14, 2019** 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.

The OEB intends to consider cost awards in this proceeding that are in accordance with the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* and only in relation to Halton Hills Hydro's proposal for the new transformer station.

## **LEARN MORE**

These proposed charges relate to Halton Hills Hydro's distribution services. They make up part of the Delivery line - one of the line items on your bill. Our file number for this case is **EB-2018-0328**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please enter the file number **EB-2018-0328** on the OEB website: [www.oeb.ca/participate](http://www.oeb.ca/participate). You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

## **ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. Halton Hills Hydro has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **January 14, 2019**.

## **PRIVACY**

*If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the 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 remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.*

*This hearing will be held under sections 78 and 84 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B).*



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