

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF THUNDER BAY HYDRO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION INC. AND KENORA HYDRO ELECTRIC CORPORATION LTD.

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. have applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to amalgamate and continue operations as a new electricity distribution company.

Learn more. Have your say.

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. have asked the Ontario Energy Board as part of the proposed amalgamation, to approve:

- a) Transfer of current rate orders and electricity distribution licences of each of Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. to the new electricity distribution company when the electricity distribution assets are transferred to the new electricity distribution company
- b) An electricity distribution licence for the new electricity distribution company
- c) Cancellation of the electricity distribution licences of Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd., when the electricity distribution licence for the new electricity distribution company is issued

The applicants say that the electricity distribution rates for customers of each of Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. and Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. will remain separate for five years from the date the transaction is completed. The applicants also say that the costs of the proposed amalgamation will not be funded by ratepayers.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the application filed by Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora Hydro. We will question the companies on the case. We will also hear arguments from individuals and from groups that represent each of the utilities to the proposed amalgamation. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide whether to approve the application.

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 the application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora 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 **July 9, 2018** 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-2018-0124**. 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 select the file number **EB-2018-0124** from the list on the OEB website: www.oeb.ca/notice. 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. Thunder Bay Hydro and Kenora Hydro have requested 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 **July 9, 2018**.

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 18, 60, 77(5) and 86(1) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).

