

March 9, 2023

Approved Interveners
(per attached list)

VIA EMAIL

-and-

Brent Czarnecki
Manitoba Hydro
360 Portage Ave.
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0G8

**Re: Manitoba Hydro 2023/24 and 2024/25 General Rate Application (the “GRA”)
Procedural Matters — April 6, 2023 Pre-Hearing Conference**

As indicated in the Public Utilities Board’s (“Board”) Third Procedural Order (Order 24/23), the Board has reserved April 6, 2023 for a pre-hearing conference to deal with GRA procedural matters. By this letter, the Board confirms that an oral pre-hearing conference will take place on April 6, 2023 and establishes the process for conducting the pre-hearing conference.

Date, Time and Location of Pre-Hearing Conference

The pre-hearing conference will take place on the following date, time and location:

Date: Thursday, April 6, 2023
Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
**Location: Public Utilities Board
4th Floor, Newport Centre
330 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0C4**

While the Board encourages parties located in Winnipeg to attend in person, the Board will accommodate virtual attendance by Microsoft Teams or teleconference. If any party plans to attend by Microsoft Teams or teleconference, they are asked to advise the Judicial Hearing Assistant, Kristen Schubert accordingly by March 31, 2023.

Purpose of Pre-Hearing Conference

The Board seeks submissions from all parties on the following issues:

1. What are the key issues in the GRA?
2. Should the Board make a ruling as to in-scope and out-of-scope issues? If so:
 - (a) What issues should be in scope?
 - (b) What issues should be out of scope?

The Board notes that in the First Procedural Order (Order 130/22), the Board already ruled that the review of Manitoba Hydro's completed integrated resource plan is out of scope.

3. Should any issues be restricted to written evidence?
4. Should any issues be restricted to written evidence and written submissions?
5. Who is on each party's witness list?
6. If a party plans to call witnesses as a panel:
 - (a) What is the subject area of each panel?
 - (b) Who are the witnesses planned to sit on each panel?
 - (c) If a party plans more than one panel, what is the suggested sequence of the panels?
7. How much time does each party expect to need for direct examination and cross-examination?

Order and Time for Submissions

The order of appearance for the pre-hearing conference is set out in Schedule A. Each party will be limited to **20 minutes** of oral submissions, with an additional **15 minutes** allotted to Manitoba Hydro's reply.

Sincerely,



Rachel McMillin
Associate Secretary

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cc: Shannon Gregorashuk, Ashley Jansen & Odette Fernandes, Manitoba Hydro
Bob Peters & Sven Hombach, Board Counsel

**SCHEDULE A
ORDER OF APPEARANCE
PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE # 2**

MANITOBA HYDRO 2023/24 AND 2024/25 GENERAL RATE APPLICATION

APRIL 6, 2023

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Agenda Item		Appearances
1.	Opening Comments by Chair	Robert Gabor, K.C.
2.	Opening Comments by Board Counsel	Bob Peters & Sven Hombach
3.	Process Submission by Manitoba Hydro	Brent Czarnecki & Odette Fernandes
4.	Process Submission by Independent Expert Consultant	Bill Haight & Bradley McLellan
5.	Process Submissions by Interveners	
a.	Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs	Emily Guglielmin & Carly Fox
b.	Consumers Coalition	Byron Williams & Chris Klassen
c.	Representatives of the General Service Small (GSS) and General Service Medium (GSM) Customer classes	Thomas Reimer & Robert Walichnowski
d.	Manitoba Industrial Power Users Group (MIPUG)	Antoine Hacault
e.	Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO)	Markus Buchart
6.	Reply Submissions by Manitoba Hydro	Brent Czarnecki & Odette Fernandes
7.	Closing Comment by the Chair	Robert Gabor, K.C.