



**EB-2008-0383**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act*,  
1998, S.O.1998, c.15, Schedule B;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application pursuant to  
section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 by  
Hydro One Networks Inc. and Veridian Connections  
Inc. to amend Veridian Connections Inc.'s Electricity  
Distribution Licence ED-2002-0503.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("HONI") and Veridian Connections Inc. ("Veridian") filed a joint application on November 26, 2008, with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 for an order of the Board to amend the licenced service area of Veridian in Schedule 1 of Veridian's electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0503. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2008-0383.

The Board issued a Notice of Application on December 15, 2008. The Notice was served upon the developer of the new subdivision development. There was no response to the Notice.

The proposed service area amendment will amend Veridian's service area description for the Brock-Sunderland area, as shown in Appendix A to this Decision and Order.

This service area amendment is required to enable the applicants to supply electricity to customers in a new subdivision development. The residential subdivision is currently

under development in the community of Sunderland –Township of Brock for which two development phases are contemplated.

For Phase 1, the development of 62 lots is proposed. Out of the 62 lots, 44 lots lie in Hydro One's area and will be served by Hydro One. However, the proposed subdivision development is bisected by the existing boundaries for lots 9-18, and lots 1-8 lie in Veridian's service area. For Phase II, the development of 24 lots is proposed. All lots lie in Veridian's service area, with the exception of lots 9b-17b which are either fully in Hydro One's area or bisected by the boundary.

The applicants are proposing to amend the boundary such that Hydro One will serve all of Phase I (Lots 1-62 inclusive) and Veridian will serve all of Phase II (Lots 1b-24b inclusive).

The service area amendment is granted.

## **FINDINGS**

The evidence filed with the application confirms that it is more economically efficient for HONI to serve Phase I and for Veridian to serve Phase II of the proposed residential development as the proposed connection is almost adjacent to each distributor's existing facilities for each phase of the development.

A letter from the developer (667287 Ontario Limited) filed with the application confirms the developer's understanding that Phase I will be served by Hydro One and Phase II will be served by Veridian.

The application indicates that as this is a new subdivision development, there is no existing customer impact. The application also states that rates of both distributors will be unaffected by the amendment and there will be no effect on safety, reliability and service quality.

I find that it is in the public interest to amend Veridian's electricity distribution licence as proposed by the applicants. The evidence filed with the Board demonstrated that the amendment will not produce any adverse effects on the existing customers of the distributors.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

Veridian Connections Inc.'s Distribution Licence (ED-2002-0503) specifically, Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended as requested by the applicants.

The amended licence is attached to this decision and order.

**DATED** at Toronto, February 2, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

*Original signed by*

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## **APPENDIX A**

### **Brock – Sunderland**

#### **WESTERN BOUNDARY**

1. Point # 1 is located 0.34 km south of River Street and 0.4 km west of Albert Street. The boundary continues north to point # 2.
2. Point # 2 is located 0.14 km west of Rynard Street, on River Street. The boundary continues north to point # 3.

#### **NORTHERN BOUNDARY**

3. Point # 3 is located 0.48 km north of River Street. The boundary turns to the east at this point and continues to point # 4, parallel to River Street.
4. Point # 4 is located 0.42 km east of point # 3. The boundary turns south to point # 5.
5. Point # 5 is 0.09 km south of point # 4. The boundary turns east, parallel to River Street to point # 6.

#### **EASTERN BOUNDARY**

6. Point # 6 is 0.69 km east of point # 5. The boundary turns south to point # 7.
7. Point # 7 is 0.17 km east of Hwy # 12 on Concession 6. The boundary turns east on Concession 6 to point # 8.
8. Point # 8 is 0.33 km east of point # 7 on Concession 6. The boundary turns south to point # 9.
9. Point # 9 is 0.13 km south of point # 8. The boundary turns west to point # 10, parallel to Concession 6.
10. Point # 10 is 0.48 km west of point # 9. The boundary turns south to point # 11, and parallel to Hwy # 12.

#### **SOUTHERN BOUNDARY**

11. Point # 11 is 0.6 km south of point # 10. The boundary turns west to point # 12.
12. Point # 12 is 0.02 km north of Thompson Road on Albert Street South. The boundary turns north to point # 13.
13. Point # 13 is on Albert Street South, 0.30 km north of point # 12. The boundary turns southwest to point # 14, running along the northern property lines of the residential lots that front the north side of Rennie Street.
14. Point # 14 is 0.19 km southwest of point # 13 and is located at the north-west corner of the most westerly of the residential lots that front the north side of Rennie Street. The boundary turns south and runs along the western flank of the property, extending across Rennie Street to point # 15.
15. Point # 15 is 0.04 km south of point # 14 and is located on the south side of Rennie Street. The boundary turns west and runs to point # 16, following Rennie Street and then the southern flank of the most southerly residential lot that fronts the west side of Rennie Street.

16. Point # 16 is 0.08 km west of point #15 and is located at the south-west corner of the most southerly residential lot that fronts the west side of Rennie Street. The boundary turns northwest and runs in an uneven line to point # 17, following the western property lines of the residential lots that front the west side of Rennie Street.
17. Point # 17 is 0.07 km northwest of point #16 and is located on the western property line of a residential lot that fronts the west side of Rennie Street. The boundary turns west and runs to point #1.