

EB-2009-0049

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Chatham-Kent Utilities Services Inc. for a smart submetering licence.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

DECISION AND ORDER

Chatham-Kent Utilities Services Inc. filed an application dated February 6, 2009 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for a smart sub-metering licence.

The Board's Notice of Application and Written Hearing for a smart sub-metering licence was published on March 31, 2009. No parties responded to the Notice of Application and Written Hearing.

Section 3.1 of the standard smart sub-metering licence authorizes the licensee to "...engage in the commercial offering or the commercial provision of smart sub-metering systems, equipment and technology and any associated equipment, systems and technologies and any associated services for the prescribed class of property." Licensees must register with Measurement Canada if the licensee undertakes activities prescribed by section 6(2) of the *Electricity and Gas Inspection Act*.

The applicant is not registered with Measurement Canada. However, the applicant has indicated that, at this time, it only intends to provide services for reading smart submeters and generating bills for a Measurement Canada registered contractor. The applicant has acknowledged that if the nature of its services change in a manner that alters its planned services, it will become a registered contractor with Measurement Canada.

After considering the application, I find it to be in the public interest to issue the smart sub-metering licence under Part V of the Act.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The application for a smart sub-metering licence is granted, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence.

DATED at Toronto, June 12, 2009.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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