



**EB-2006-0141**

**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 Kenora  
Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. to amend its Electricity  
Distribution Licence (ED-2003-0030).

**By delegation, before:** Mark C. Garner

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

On May 25, 2006, Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd. ("Kenora Hydro") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") pursuant to section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act"). Additional information was requested from Kenora Hydro in order to complete the application. Kenora Hydro provided the additional information to the Board on June 20, 2006. This included a letter of consent from Hydro One, the proposed timeline for construction and completion of the new connection, Kenora Hydro's offer to connect and economic evaluation, and Hydro One's offer to connect.

This service area amendment is necessary in order for Kenora Hydro to supply electricity to a new customer who purchased two small islands which are currently located in the licenced service area of Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One"). These islands are described as:

- Islands E211 and E212 situated in Lake of the Woods.

The service area amendment is granted.

## **Background**

On May 25, 2006, Kenora Hydro applied for a service area amendment for the purpose of supplying electricity to a new customer who purchased two small islands near Coney Island. Coney Island is presently serviced by Kenora Hydro while the islands are located in the licensed service area of Hydro One. The customer was unaware that these islands were part of the licensed service area of Hydro One so the customer approached Kenora Hydro to perform the necessary work to connect the customer to the distribution system and to provide electrical service.

Hydro One has consented to this service area amendment. Hydro One stated that Kenora Hydro can supply this location with electricity at a lower cost. Hydro One also stated that no Hydro One assets will be stranded if the amendment is granted by the Board and that the amendment is in the best interest of the new customer.

In order for Hydro One to connect the new customer, it would require 965 metres of submarine cable, whereas a maximum of 800 metres would be required in order for Kenora Hydro to connect the customer. The customer has stated that he would like to proceed with connecting to Kenora Hydro and have Kenora Hydro provide him with electrical service as the cost would be less. There are no other affected customers as a result of this proposed amendment.

## **Licensed Service Area**

Pursuant to subsection 6(1) of the Act, I have been delegated the powers and duties of the Board with respect to the determination of applications made under section 74 of the Act. This order is made under the authority of that delegation and is based on the evidence filed in support of the application and the submissions of interested parties.

I have proceeded without a hearing since the affected parties have consented to the application and no other parties are adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding.

Since this is a consent application and the proposed amendment is consistent with the Board's policies regarding service area amendments, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Kenora Hydro's electricity distribution licence as proposed by Kenora Hydro.

## **IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd's Distribution Licence (ED-2003-0030) is amended as per Schedule 1 as attached to this order.

Under section 7(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, this decision may be appealed to the Board within 15 days.

DATED at Toronto, August 28, 2006

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