



EB-2006-0094

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 Guelph
Hydro Electric Systems Inc. for the amendment of its
distribution licence (ED-2002-0565) to include the licensed
service area of Wellington Electric Distribution Company
Inc.;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application pursuant to
section 77(5) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* by
Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc. for the cancellation of
the distribution licence for Wellington Electric Distribution
Company Inc. (ED-2002-0564).

By delegation, before: Mark C. Garner

DECISION AND ORDER

On November 22, 2005, Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc. ("Guelph Hydro") and Wellington Electric Distribution Company Inc. ("Wellington Hydro") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 86 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for leave to amalgamate. The application also sought the cancellation of the Wellington Hydro licence and an application to amend Guelph Hydro's licence to include Wellington Hydro's service territory.

On February 21, 2006, the Board granted Guelph Hydro and Wellington Hydro leave to amalgamate. The Board referred the application to cancel Wellington Hydro's licence and the application to amend Guelph Hydro's licence to include Wellington Hydro's service territory to

the delegate authority with respect to the determination of applications under section 74 and section 77(5) of the Act.

On May 1, 2006, Guelph Hydro filed an application under section 74 of the Act for an amendment to its electricity distribution licence (ED-2002-0565) to add the service territory of Wellington Hydro. On June 9, 2006, Guelph Hydro made an application under section 77(5) of the Act for the cancellation of Wellington Hydro's distribution licence (ED-2002-0564).

After considering the application to amend Guelph Hydro's electricity distribution licence and the application to cancel Wellington Hydro's electricity distribution licence, and in light of the fact that the Board granted Guelph Hydro and Wellington Hydro leave to amalgamate, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Guelph Hydro's electricity distribution licence to include Wellington Hydro's licensed service area.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc.'s distribution licence (ED-2002-0565) be amended to include Wellington Electric Distribution Company Inc.'s licensed service area; and
2. The distribution licence of Wellington Electric Distribution Company Inc. (ED-2002-0564) be cancelled.

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, June 22, 2006

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Mark C. Garner
Managing Director, Market Operations