

EB-2011-0106

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT 115 kV TRANSMISSION FACILITIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF RED LAKE

Goldcorp Canada Ltd. and Goldcorp Inc. acting jointly as Goldcorp (the "Applicant") have filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board, (the "Board") dated April 25, 2011 under section 92 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B. Goldcorp is seeking an order of the Board granting leave to construct 10.7 km of 115 kV single circuit transmission line from Hydro One Networks Inc.'s ("HONI") 115 kV E2R Transmission line at a point approximately 2 km south of Harry's Corner to the to-be-constructed Balmer Complex Transformer Station, all in the Municipality of Red Lake. Goldcorp Canada Ltd. is a federal company headquartered in Toronto, and carries on the business of, among other things, operating gold mines in Ontario.

The proposed transmission facilities include:

- A new switchyard connecting HONI's Tap on its E2R 115 kV transmission line approximately 2 km southwest of Harry's Corner with the proposed 115 kV transmission line;
- A new 10.7 km 115 kV single circuit transmission line running from the switchyard to the to-be-constructed Balmer Complex Transformer Station;
- A 115 kV/44 kV Transformer Station at Goldcorp's Balmer Complex.

The proposed transmission facilities will be owned and constructed by Goldcorp until the system is commissioned. Following which, the switchyard and 115 kV transmission line, but not the Balmer Complex Transformer Station, will be transferred to and operated by HONI. The planned in-service date for this project is December 2011.

Goldcorp submits that the project is required to allow Goldcorp to realize its Mine Development Plan in the Municipality of Red Lake, remove the need for Goldcorp to utilize diesel generation thereby avoiding adverse environmental effects and to free-up capacity in the Red Lake Transformer Station allowing HONI to service new and emerging demand in the Ear Falls/Red Lake area.

A map showing the location of the transmission facilities is included with this Notice.

The Board has assigned File No. EB-2011-0106 to this application.

Board Jurisdiction

For any leave to construct application under section 92 of the Act, section 96(2) of the Act provides that when determining if a proposed work is in the public interest, the Board's jurisdiction is limited to consideration of:

- the interests of consumers with respect to prices and the reliability and quality of electricity service, and
- where applicable and in a manner consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario, the promotion of the use of renewable energy sources.

How to see Goldcorp's pre-filed evidence

Copies of the application and the pre-filed evidence in support of the application will be available for public inspection at: the Board's offices; the Applicant's offices and website (addresses provided below); Office of the Municipality of Red Lake, 2, Fifth Street, Balmertown; Ministry of Environment -Northern Region, 435 James Street, Thunder Bay; Red Lake Indian Friendship Centre, 1 Legion Road, Red Lake; and Red Lake Public Library, 117 Howey Street, Red Lake.

Written Hearing

The Board intends to proceed with this matter by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for holding an oral hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board and copied to the applicant within **10 days** of the publication or service date of this notice.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding in one of three ways:

1. Become an Intervenor

Intervenors participate actively in the proceeding (i.e., submit written questions, evidence, and arguments, and cross-examine witnesses at an oral hearing).

A request for intervenor status must be made by letter of intervention and be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. A letter of intervention must include: (a) a description of how you are, or may be, affected by the outcome of this proceeding; (b) if you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership; and (c) whether you intend to seek an award of costs and the grounds for your cost award eligibility.

You must provide a copy of your letter of intervention to the Applicant.

Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which means that all filings will be available for viewing at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website.

If you already have a user ID, please submit your intervention request through the Board's web portal at www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca. Additionally, two paper copies must be submitted to the address set out below.

If you do not have a user ID, visit the Board's website under e-Filing Services and complete a user ID/password request form. For instructions on how to submit documents and naming conventions please refer to the RESS Document Guidelines found at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry, e-Filing Services.

The Board also accepts interventions by e-mail, at the address below, and again, two additional paper copies are required. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit their intervention request on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies.

2. Send a Letter with your Comments to the Board

If you wish to comment on the proceeding without becoming an intervenor, you may submit a letter of comment to the Board Secretary.

All letters of comment sent to the Board will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters will be available for viewing at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website.

Before placing the letter of comment on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the letter of comment (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the letter of comment will become part of the public record.

A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Hearing Panel.

Your letter of comment must be received by the Board no later than **30 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. The Board accepts letters of comment by either post or e-mail at the addresses below.

3. Become an Observer

Observers do not participate actively in the proceeding but receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. There is no fee for observers to receive documents issued by the Board.

A request for observer status must be made in writing and be received by the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. The Board accepts observer request letters by either post or e-mail at the addresses below.

All letters requesting observer status will become part of the public record, which means that the letters will be available for viewing at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website.

Before placing the request for observer status on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e., not business) contact information from the request (i.e., the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the request for observer status will become part of the public record.

Observers may also request documents filed by the applicant and other parties to the proceeding but must request these documents directly from the relevant party.

Observers may be required to pay for the costs of reproducing and delivering the material.

Most documents filed in this application will also be available on the Board's website.

How to Contact Us

In responding to this Notice, please reference Board file number **EB-2011-0106** in the subject line of your e-mail or at the top of your letter. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received **no later than 4:45 p.m.** on the required date.

Need More Information?

Further information on how to participate may be obtained by visiting the Board's www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry or by calling our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727.

IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN SUBMISSION OBJECTING TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING BY FILING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

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DATED: APRIL 29, 2011

