



**EB-2011-0069**

**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. to amend its  
Electricity Distribution Licence ED-2002-0565.

**By delegation, before:** Jennifer Lea

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

### **THE APPLICATION**

Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc. ("Guelph Hydro") filed an application on March 7, 2011, with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an order of the Board to amend Guelph Hydro's licensed service area in Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0565.

This service area amendment is required in order for Guelph Hydro to supply electricity and provide electricity distribution services to a pump house for the new golf course located at civic address – 2194 Victoria Road S. in Township of Puslinch. The property on which the pump house is located is within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s ("Hydro One") licensed service area. The legal property description is Part Lot 15, Concession 9 in the Township of Puslinch.

### **FINDINGS**

Based on the evidence, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Schedule 1 of Guelph Hydro's electricity distribution licence to include the pump house described

above. Hydro One's distribution licence does not require amendment. The following facts are relevant to this decision.

The evidence filed with the application demonstrates that it is more economically efficient for Guelph Hydro to serve the pump house. Hydro One will provide service to the club house of the golf course, however to service the pump house, which is also part of the golf course, Hydro One would require three phase power. In order to supply the customer, Hydro One would have to extend its existing three phase distribution line by approximately 720 meters at significant cost to the customer. No other customers would be served by the extension of the three phase distribution line. The applicant further states that Guelph Hydro has existing facilities to feed the pump house and will connect the customer at a lower cost without duplication of the distribution assets. Hydro One supports the proposed service area amendment and confirms that it would be more economically efficient for Guelph Hydro to service the pump house.

A letter from Victoria Park East Golf Club, the owner of the pump house, filed with the application, consents to Guelph Hydro providing service to the pump house. There are no other existing customers in the proposed amendment area. No assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. In addition, no negative impact on rates, safety, reliability or service quality of Guelph Hydro or Hydro One has been identified as a result of the proposed amendment.

The applicant requested that the Board decide the application without a hearing. I have done so. All affected parties consented to the application as filed. The evidence filed with the Board demonstrated that the amendment will not produce any adverse effects on the existing customers of the distributors, and there are no prospective customers apart from the pump house who may be served by Guelph Hydro in the proposed service area.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

Guelph Hydro Electric System Inc.'s Electricity Distribution Licence (ED-2002-0565), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the following:

The Pump House located at civic address - 2194 Victoria Road S., Guelph, ON N1L 1N9.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 18, 2011  
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

*Original signed by*

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