

EB-2011-0393

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 BP Canada Energy Company to renew Electricity Wholesaler Licence EW-2006-0217.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

DECISION AND ORDER

The Ontario Energy Board received an application to renew Electricity Wholesaler Licence EW-2006-0217 from BP Canada Energy Company on November 22, 2011. The Board has assigned the application file number EB- 2011-0393.

The licence that is the subject of the renewal application was issued to the applicant on December 11, 2006 and remains in force until December 10, 2011. The licence provides that the term may be extended by the Board.

Because the current licence will expire prior to final determination of the renewal application, and because the applicant is an active IESO-administered market participant and wishes to continue to wholesale electricity in Ontario, the applicant has requested that the term of licence EW-2006-0217 be extended until the Board makes a final decision with respect to the renewal application.

Considering the time required to process an application in accordance with the Board's established practice and procedures, and considering the applicant's need for a licence to continue its electricity wholesaling activities in Ontario, I find that it is in the public interest to make an order extending the term of licence EW-2006-0217 until such time as the renewal application is determined or March 5, 2012, whichever is earlier. The applicant is reminded that this decision does not constitute a final decision on the application.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The term of the electricity wholesaler licence EW-2006-0217 is extended until the final determination of the renewal application or March 5, 2012 whichever is earlier.

DATED at Toronto, December 6, 2011

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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