

EB-2011-0140

IN THE MATTER OF sections 70 and 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act 1998*, S.O.1998, c.15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF a Board-initiated proceeding to designate an electricity transmitter to undertake development work for a new electricity transmission line between Northeast and Northwest Ontario: the East-West Tie Line.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

The Ontario Energy Board has initiated a proceeding to designate an electricity transmitter to undertake development work for a new electricity transmission line between Northeast and Northwest Ontario: the East-West Tie Line. The Board has assigned File No. EB-2011-0140 to the designation proceeding.

On February 2, 2012, the Board issued a Notice of Application for this proceeding.

Intervenor Status

The Board grants intervenor status to each of the transmitters registered in the East-West Tie designation proceeding as of the date of the Notice of Proceeding, namely:

- 1. AltaLink, L.P.
- 2. Canadian Niagara Power Inc.
- 3. EWT L.P.
- 4. Iccon Transmission Inc.
- 5. RES Canada Transmission L.P.
- 6. TransCanada Power Transmission (Ontario) L.P.

7. Upper Canada Transmission Inc.

The Board has received requests for intervenor status from the parties listed as requesting intervenor status in Appendix A to this procedural order. The requests for intervention are posted on the Board's website, on the Transmission Infrastructure: East-West Tie Line page www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/EWTie.

Any party that has any objection to the intervention request of any other party may file its written objection with the Board, and copy it to all other parties, by **March 16, 2012**. A party against whom an objection is filed may reply to the objection by filing the reply with the Board, and copying it to the objecting party, by **March 22, 2012**. Appendix A includes contact information for all parties requesting intervenor status, as well as contact information for the seven transmitters that have been granted intervenor status.

Costs of the Proceeding

The Board has determined that the costs of this proceeding, both cost awards to eligible intervenors and the Board's own costs, will be recovered from licensed transmitters whose revenue requirements are recovered through the Ontario Uniform Transmission Rates; namely Canadian Niagara Power Inc., Five Nations Energy Inc., Great Lakes Power Transmission LP, and Hydro One Networks Inc. The costs will be apportioned between these transmitters based on their respective transmission revenues. The Board finds that the process set out in section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* is an appropriate method to implement the payment of cost awards in this proceeding. Therefore, the Board will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this proceeding.

Cost Eligibility

The following organizations have each indicated that they intend to seek an award of costs in this proceeding:

- 1. Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario
- 2. Building Owners and Managers Association Toronto
- 3. Consumers Council of Canada
- 4. Energy Probe Research Foundation
- 5. Métis Nation of Ontario

- 6. National Chief's Office on behalf of the Assembly for First Nations
- 7. Nishnawbe-Aski Nation
- 8. Northwatch
- Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, Northwestern Ontario
 Associated Chambers of Commerce and the Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay (joint intervention)
- 10. Ojibways of Pic River First Nation
- 11. School Energy Coalition

The requests for cost award eligibility are posted on the Board's website, on the Transmission Infrastructure: East-West Tie Line page (link above).

The four transmitters from whom costs will be recovered may object to any of the requests for cost award eligibility by filing an objection setting out the grounds for the objection with the Board Secretary, and copying it to the affected party requesting costs, by **March 16, 2012**. A party against whom an objection is filed may reply to the objection by filing the reply with the Board, and copying it to the objecting party, by **March 22, 2012**.

All-Parties Meeting

A meeting to discuss the issues and procedure for the proceeding, led by Board staff, will take place on **March 23**, **2012** at the Board's hearing room in Toronto. All parties are invited to attend. Parties wishing to attend in person should register by sending an e-mail to East-West.Tie.Line@OntarioEnergyBoard.ca with the name of the organization and the name of up the representative(s) attending. The meeting will not be transcribed, but parties will be able to listen in via a web-broadcast link (to be provided at a later date).

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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.

Please be aware that further procedural orders may be issued from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- Any party that has any objection to the intervention request of any other party may file its written objection with the Board, and copy it to all other parties, by March 16, 2012. A party against whom an objection was filed may reply to the objection by filing the reply with the Board and copying it to the objecting party by March 22, 2012.
- If any of the transmitters Canadian Niagara Power Inc., Five Nations Energy Inc., Great Lakes Power Transmission LP, or Hydro One Networks Inc., has an objection to any of the requests for cost eligibility posted on the Board's website, the objection must be filed with the Board Secretary and copied it to the affected party requesting costs, by March 16, 2012. A party against whom an objection is filed may reply to the objection by filing the reply with the Board, and copying it to the objecting party, by March 22, 2012.
- An all parties meeting will be held at 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto on the 25th floor in the West Hearing Room on **March 23, 2012** from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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APPENDIX "A"

TO PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

BOARD FILE NO. EB-2011-0140

DATED: March 09, 2012

EB-2011-0140 – Appendix A to Procedural Order #1

Requests for Intervenor Status

- 1. Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario
- 2. BayNiche Conservancy
- 3. Building Owners and Managers Association Toronto
- City of Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario Associated Chambers of Commerce and Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association Energy Task Force
- 5. Consumers Council of Canada
- 6. Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.
- 7. Energy Probe Research Foundation
- Great Lakes Power Transmission EWT LP
- 9. Great Lakes Power Transmission LP
- 10. Hydro One Inc.
- 11. Hydro One Networks Inc.
- 12. Independent Electricity System Operator SME
- 13. Lake Superior Action-Research-Conservation
- 14. Métis Nation of Ontario
- 15. National Chief's Office on behalf of the Assembly for First Nations
- 16. Nishnawbe-Aski Nation
- 17. Northwatch
- 18. Ojibways of Pic River First Nation
- 19. Ontario Power Authority
- 20. Power Workers' Union
- 21. School Energy Coalition
- 22. Mr. Rod Taylor

Intervenors (Registered Transmitters)

- 1. AltaLink Ontario L.P.
- 2. Canadian Niagara Power Inc.
- 3. EWT LP
- 4. Iccon Transmission Inc.
- RES Canada Transmission LP
- 6. TransCanada Power Transmission (Ontario) L.P.
- 7. Upper Canada Transmission Inc.

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