

EB-2011-0381

**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 Sonoco Canada Corporation to amend electricity generation licence EG-2010-0168.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

Sonoco Canada Corporation ("Sonoco") filed an application on November 18, 2011 with the Ontario Energy Board pursuant to section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, to amend electricity generation licence EG-2010-0168. Supplementary information was filed and Sonoco completed the application on February 24, 2012.

Sonoco requested that the Trenton generation facility be added to Schedule 1 of its electricity generation licence. Sonoco is owner and operator of the generation facility.

The licence amendment is granted.

#### Reasons

Sonoco stated that during an audit performed in 2011, the Ministry of Finance informed the applicant that a licence was required for the Trenton generation site. Sonoco acquired the Trenton generation facility from Toromont Energy Ltd. in 2007 and installed the turbine in September 2010 to generate energy to run a paper machine at this location. In a Board decision dated November 14, 2007, this facility was removed from Schedule 2 of Toromont's electricity generation licence EG-2003-0163.

Sonoco stated that it is under an implied contract with Hydro One Networks Inc. to sell any excess electricity, and the electricity is dispatchable based on a contract with the Ontario Power Authority. In support of this application, Sonoco filed a copy of the Assignment and Assumption Agreement for the site signed by all three parties. Sonoco also filed a copy of its current Distribution Connection Agreement with Hydro One Networks Inc.

Sonoco is requesting that Schedule 1 of its licence be amended to grant the authorization to own and operate the Trenton generation facility.

I have proceeded to decide the application without a hearing pursuant to section 21(4)(b) of the Act since no other parties are adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding, and the applicant has asked that the application be decided without a hearing.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Schedule 1 of electricity generation licence EG-2010-0168 is amended as requested.

DATED at Toronto, April 17, 2012

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Jennifer Lea Counsel, Special Projects



# **Electricity Generation Licence**

EG-2010-0168

# **Sonoco Canada Corporation**

**Valid Until** 

June 17, 2030

Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

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Date of Issuance: June 18, 2010 Date of Amendment: April 17, 2012

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#### 1 Definitions

In this Licence:

"Act" means the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B;

"Electricity Act" means the Electricity Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule A;

"generation facility" means a facility for generating electricity or providing ancillary services, other than ancillary services provided by a transmitter or distributor through the operation of a transmission or distribution system and includes any structures, equipment or other things used for that purpose;

"Licensee" means Sonoco Canada Corporation.;

"regulation" means a regulation made under the Act or the Electricity Act;

#### 2 Interpretation

2.1 In this Licence words and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Act or the Electricity Act. Words or phrases importing the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Licence. Any reference to a document or a provision of a document includes an amendment or supplement to, or a replacement of, that document or that provision of that document. In the computation of time under this Licence where there is a reference to a number of days between two events, they shall be counted by excluding the day on which the first event happens and including the day on which the second event happens. Where the time for doing an act expires on a holiday, the act may be done on the next day that is not a holiday.

#### 3 Authorization

- 3.1 The Licensee is authorized, under Part V of the Act and subject to the terms and conditions set out in this licence:
  - to generate electricity or provide ancillary services for sale through the IESOadministered markets or directly to another person subject to the conditions set out in this Licence. This Licence authorizes the Licensee only in respect of those facilities set out in Schedule 1;
  - b) to purchase electricity or ancillary services in the IESO-administered markets or directly from a generator subject to the conditions set out in this Licence; and
  - to sell electricity or ancillary services through the IESO-administered markets or directly to another person, other than a consumer, subject to the conditions set out in this Licence.

# 4 Obligation to Comply with Legislation, Regulations and Market Rules

- 4.1 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Act and the Electricity Act, and regulations under these acts, except where the Licensee has been exempted from such compliance by regulation.
- 4.2 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable Market Rules.

#### 5 Obligation to Maintain System Integrity

- Where the IESO has identified, pursuant to the conditions of its licence and the Market Rules, that it is necessary for purposes of maintaining the reliability and security of the IESO-controlled grid, for the Licensee to provide energy or ancillary services, the IESO may require the Licensee to enter into an agreement for the supply of energy or such services.
- Where an agreement is entered into in accordance with paragraph 5.1, it shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Market Rules or such other conditions as the Board may consider reasonable. The agreement shall be subject to approval by the Board prior to its implementation. Unresolved disputes relating to the terms of the Agreement, the interpretation of the Agreement, or amendment of the Agreement, may be determined by the Board.

#### 6 Restrictions on Certain Business Activities

6.1 Neither the Licensee, nor an affiliate of the Licensee shall acquire an interest in a transmission or distribution system in Ontario, construct a transmission or distribution system in Ontario or purchase shares of a corporation that owns a transmission or distribution system in Ontario except in accordance with section 81 of the Act.

## 7 Provision of Information to the Board

- 7.1 The Licensee shall maintain records of and provide, in the manner and form determined by the Board, such information as the Board may require from time to time.
- 7.2 Without limiting the generality of paragraph 7.1 the Licensee shall notify the Board of any material change in circumstances that adversely affects or is likely to adversely affect the business, operations or assets of the Licensee, as soon as practicable, but in any event no more than twenty (20) days past the date upon which such change occurs.

#### 8 Term of Licence

8.1 This Licence shall take effect on June 18, 2010 and expire on June 17, 2030. The term of this Licence may be extended by the Board.

#### 9 Fees and Assessments

9.1 The Licensee shall pay all fees charged and amounts assessed by the Board.

#### 10 Communication

- 10.1 The Licensee shall designate a person that will act as a primary contact with the Board on matters related to this Licence. The Licensee shall notify the Board promptly should the contact details change.
- 10.2 All official communication relating to this Licence shall be in writing.
- 10.3 All written communication is to be regarded as having been given by the sender and received by the addressee:
  - a) when delivered in person to the addressee by hand, by registered mail or by courier;
  - b) ten (10) business days after the date of posting if the communication is sent by regular mail; or
  - c) when received by facsimile transmission by the addressee, according to the sender=s transmission report.

## 11 Copies of the Licence

## 11.1 The Licensee shall:

- a) make a copy of this Licence available for inspection by members of the public at its head office and regional offices during normal business hours; and
- b) provide a copy of this Licence to any person who requests it. The Licensee may impose a fair and reasonable charge for the cost of providing copies.

## SCHEDULE 1 LIST OF LICENSED GENERATION FACILITIES

The Licence authorizes the Licensee only in respect to the following:

- 1. The ownership and operation of Sonoco Canada Corporation Power Plant with an installed capacity of 3.9 MW located at 33 Park Avenue, Brantford, Ontario.
- 2. The ownership and operation of Sonoco Canada Corporation with an installed capacity of 7.5 MW located at 5 Bernard Long Road, Trenton, Ontario.