Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0030

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 Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. pursuant to section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to amend Electricity Distribution Licence ED-2002-0574.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

DECISION AND ORDER

June 7, 2012

THE APPLICATION

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. ("CNDI") filed a service area amendment application on March 26, 2012 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to propose amendment of the service area boundary between CNDI and Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One"). The application included a letter from Hydro One in support of the application.

The proposed amendment is to connect a new customer, Canadian Pacific Railway, owner of a recently expanded rail yard, to CNDI's distribution system.

CNDI, with the support of Hydro One and the customer, requested that the application be disposed of without a hearing as no person will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding.

FINDINGS

The area affected by the proposed amendment is described as Parts 1, 2 and 3, Plan 41R-8044, with a municipal address of 4573 Trussler Road, Ayr, Ontario. The affected

area is located in Hydro One's service area. The proposed amendment would allow CNDI to serve the customer. I find that it is in the public interest to grant the amendment as requested by CNDI.

The customer requires the service immediately and approached Hydro One to connect to its distribution system. Hydro One has no distribution lines close by and cannot connect the customer within a reasonable time frame. However, CNDI has an existing 4.8 kV overhead line located directly across the road from the proposed connection point. The connection to the CNDI system is the most economical connection option for the customer, and the customer has consented to receiving service from CNDI.

CNDI also stated that no assets will be stranded or made redundant as a result of the proposed amendment, and reliability will not be adversely affected by this proposal. As well, there will be no material impact on the ratepayers of CNDI or Hydro One.

CNDI requested that the Board decide the application without a hearing. I have done so. The affected parties, Hydro One and Canadian Pacific Railway, consented to the application as filed. The evidence filed with the Board demonstrated that there will be no adverse effects resulting from the proposed service area amendment.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Schedule 1 of Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.'s Electricity Distribution Licence, ED-2002-0574 is amended as requested.

The amended licence is attached to this decision and order.

DATED at Toronto, June 7, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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