Ontario Energy Board

Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0317

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 86(1)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998* by EnWin Utilities Ltd. seeking an order granting leave to sell distribution system assets to Loblaw Companies Limited.

By delegation, before: Adrian Pye

DECISION AND ORDER August 23, 2012

THE APPLICATION

EnWin Utilities Ltd. ("EnWin") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board on July 13, 2012 under section 86(1)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for a Board order granting EnWin leave to sell certain distribution system assets to Loblaw Companies Limited ("Loblaw").

The metering assets to be transferred to Loblaw are located at three locations in Windsor, Ontario and consist of the following:

- three current transformers, one meter cabinet, one test block and assorted wiring and cabling located at 2430 Dougall Ave.;
- three current transformers, one test block and assorted wiring and cabling located at 7201 Tecumseh Rd. E.; and
- three current transformers, one test block and assorted wiring and cabling located at 4371 Walker Rd.

The total sale price of \$4,332.00 (plus HST) represents the net book value of the assets.

FINDINGS

Based on the evidence, I find that there are benefits to the proposed transaction, and no negative consequences have been identified. It is therefore in the public interest to grant EnWin leave to sell the metering assets to Loblaw. The following facts are relevant to this decision.

Section 86(1)(b) of the Act provides that leave of the Board is required before a transmitter or a distributor can "sell, lease or otherwise dispose of that part of its transmission or distribution system that is necessary in serving the public". The assets that are the subject of this transaction are necessary in serving the public.

The sale is for the purposes of transferring ownership of the metering assets to Loblaw to use these assets for wholesale metering as an Independent Electricity System Operator market participant. EnWin states that the assets proposed to be sold to Loblaw exclusively serve and will continue to serve Loblaw. After the proposed transaction Loblaw will own the assets instead of the utility. EnWin states that the transaction will not adversely affect the safety, reliability, quality of service or operations of the applicant or Loblaw. The proposed transfer will not impact distribution rates of the applicant.

EnWin requested, with Loblaw's consent, that the Board dispose of this matter without a hearing under section 21(4)(b) of the Act. I find, based on the evidence filed in the application, that no other person will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of this proceeding. I have therefore disposed of this matter without a hearing.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

 EnWin Utilities Ltd. is granted leave to sell nine current transformers, one meter cabinet, three test blocks and assorted wiring and cabling located in Windsor, Ontario at 2430 Dougall Ave., 7201 Tecumseh Rd. E., and 4371 Walker Rd. to Loblaw Companies Limited. DATED at Toronto, August 23, 2012

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