

EB-2012-0365

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING

# APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT TRANSMISSION FACILITIES FOR DUFFERIN WIND POWER INC.

Dufferin Wind Power Inc., ("DWPI") has filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the Board), dated September 21, 2012 under sections 92, 96(2), 97 and 101 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B. DWPI was incorporated as a New Brunswick corporation in 2011. Longyuan Canada Renewables Ltd. is the majority shareholder and Farm Owned Power (Melancthon) Ltd. the minority shareholder of DWPI.

DWPI has applied for an order of the Board for leave to construct approximately 47 km of single circuit 230 kilovolt ("kV") electricity transmission line and associated facilities to connect DWPI's generation facility, the Dufferin Wind Farm, to the IESO-controlled grid. DWPI has also applied for an order approving the forms of easement agreements provided in the application, and an order approving the construction of certain transmission facilities upon, under or over a highway, utility line or ditch.

DWPI holds a 20-year feed-in-tariff ("FIT") contract with the Ontario Power Authority in respect of the sale of electricity from the Dufferin Wind Farm which is planned to be constructed and operated in the County of Dufferin and have an installed capacity of 99.1 MW.

The work which is the subject of this application involves the construction of:

• A 34.5 kV/230 kV intermediate transformer station at the Dufferin Wind Farm site;

- A 230 kV switching station adjacent to Hydro One Networks Inc.'s existing Orangeville Transformer Station;
- Approximately 47 km of primarily overhead 230 kV three phase single circuit transmission line running from the wind farm site to the switching station; and
- A 100 m 230 kV interconnection that will connect the switching station to Orangeville Transformer Station.

A map showing the location of the proposed facilities is included with this Notice.

DWPI advises that it is acquiring the permanent and temporary land rights needed for the construction of the transmission line and facilities and for access to the lands during construction.

DWPI proposes to commence construction of the transmission facilities in May 2013 in order to achieve an in-service date of December 31, 2013. DWPI will construct, own and operate the facilities and will bear the cost of the proposed line and associated facilities.

The Board has assigned File No. **EB-2012-0365** to this application.

# **Board Jurisdiction**

For any leave to construct application under section 92 of the Act, section 96(2) of the Act provides that when determining if a proposed work is in the public interest, the Board's jurisdiction is limited to consideration of:

- The interests of consumers with respect to prices and the reliability and quality of electricity service, and
- Where applicable and in a manner consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario, the promotion of the use of renewable energy sources.

Environmental issues with respect to this project are considered through a separate process which is not a part of this Board proceeding.

## **How to see the Application**

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2012-0365 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also

be seen at the Board's office and at the applicant's office at the addresses indicated below, or on the applicant's website <u>www.dufferinwindpower.ca.</u>

# Written Hearing

The Board intends to proceed with this matter by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for not holding a written hearing. If you object to a written hearing, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board and copied to the applicant within 10 days of the publication or service date of this notice.

## **How to Participate**

#### Comment

If you wish to give your opinion on the proceeding to the Board Members hearing the application, you are invited to send a written letter of comment to the Board no later than 30 days after the publication or service date of this notice. A complete copy of your letter of comment, including your name, contact information, and the content of the letter, will be provided to the applicant and the Hearing Panel.

#### **Observe**

If you do not wish to actively participate in the proceeding but you do wish to receive documents issued by the Board, you may request observer status. Your written request must be received by the Board no later than 10 days from the publication or service date of this notice.

### **Personal Information in Letters of Comment and Observer Requests**

All letters of comment or letters requesting observer status will be placed on the public record, which means that the letters can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website. Before placing the letters on the public record, the Board will remove any personal (i.e. not business) contact information from the letters (i.e. the address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual). However, the name of the individual and the content of the letter will become part of the public record. Please address your letter to the Board Secretary at the address below, and reference file number EB-2012-0365 at the top of your letter.

#### Intervene

If you wish to actively participate in the proceeding (e.g., submit questions, file argument), you may request intervenor status from the Board no later than 10 days after the publication or service date of this notice. Instructions for requesting intervenor status are available on the Board's website at <a href="www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate">www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate</a>. Everything an intervenor files with the Board, including the intervenor's name and contact information, will be placed on the public record, which can be seen at the Board's offices and will be available on the Board's website.

If you do not have internet access, please call 1-888-632-2727 to receive information about this proceeding and how to participate.

#### **How to Contact Us**

In responding to this Notice, please reference Board file number EB-2012-0365 in the subject line of your e-mail or at the top of your letter. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. 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.

#### **IMPORTANT**

IF YOU DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING BY FILING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

#### **ADDRESSES**

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**DATED** at Toronto October 16, 2012

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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# **Map of Proposed Transmission Line and Facilities**

