

EB-2012-0413

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 Trent Energy Inc. for an electricity generation licence.

By delegation, before: David Richmond

INTERIM DECISION AND ORDER

December 13, 2012

The Ontario Energy Board received an application for an electricity generation licence from Trent Energy Inc. on October 16, 2012. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2012-0413. The applicant completed the application on November 21, 2012.

The applicant stated that it entered into an acquisition and transfer agreement with Trent University on October 12, 2012. In a letter dated December 4, 2012, Trent University confirmed that the commercial transaction which included the applicant leasing the Stanley Adamson Powerhouse structure and adjoining land, the purchase, installation, commissioning of new generating equipment and the operation of the Stanley Adamson Powerhouse facility closed on November 26, 2012. As well, Trent University requested that the Board cancel its electricity generation licence EG-2002-0336 upon issuance of an electricity generation licence to Trent Energy Inc.

The applicant has requested that an interim electricity generation licence be issued until the Board makes a final decision with respect to the application in order for the applicant to execute its financing agreement for the generation project with its lender, Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation and to operate the generation facility if the licence application process extends beyond the actual commercial operation date of the facility.

In view of the time required to process an application in accordance with the Board's established practice and procedures, the applicant's need for a licence to satisfy specific conditions of its financing agreement with its lender, and the confirmation from Trent University of the close of the commercial transaction, I find that it is in the public interest to make an order to cancel the Trent University electricity generation licence and to issue an interim licence to the applicant until such time as the application is determined or March 12, 2012 whichever is earlier. The applicant is reminded that this decision does not constitute a final decision on the application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- Trent University's Electricity Generation Licence EG-2002-0336 be cancelled;
 and
- 2. Until the final determination of the application or February 28, 2013 whichever is earlier, Trent Energy Inc. be issued an Interim Electricity Generation Licence

DATED at Toronto, December 13, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

David Richmond Manager, Electricity Facilities & Infrastructure Applications



Electricity Generation Licence

EG-2012-0413

Trent Energy Inc.

Valid Until

March 12, 2013

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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 Trent Energy Inc.;

"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 December 13, 2012 and expire on March 12, 2013. 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 operator of Stan Adamson Power House with an installed capacity of 3.9 MW located at 1600 West Bank Drive, Peterborough, Ontario.