



EB-2008-0073

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 Hydro One Networks Inc. seeking an order granting
Hydro One Networks Inc. leave to sell distribution system
assets to Lonesome Pine Trailer Park.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

DECISION AND ORDER

On April 2, 2008, Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board under section 86(1)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 for an order granting Hydro One leave to sell certain distribution system assets to Lonesome Pine Trailer Park.

The assets being sold in this transaction consist of five pole mounted distribution transformers and are located entirely on the property of Lonesome Pine Trailer Park.

Findings

Hydro One, with Lonesome Pine Trailer Park's consent, requested 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 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.

Section 86(1)(b) of the Act provides that leave of the Board is required before 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 applicant states that the assets proposed for sale serve a number of sites within Lonesome Pine Trailer Park. Each of the five transformers has a central meter installation, metered at utilization voltage, and all are billed to Lonesome Pine Trailer Park separately. If the Board approves the proposed transaction, Lonesome Pine Trailer Park will become centrally metered and receive one bill, aggregated where the distribution line enters the park, rather than its current five bills.

The applicant states that prior to taking ownership of the assets, Lonesome Pine Trailer Park must make any changes needed to bring the equipment into compliance with current Electrical Safety Authority requirements. The applicant further states that there are no environmental issues associated with the transaction, and the transaction will not adversely affect the safety, reliability, quality of service or operational flexibility of Hydro One or Lonesome Pine Trailer Park.

The total sale price of \$11,495.52 (plus GST) represents the net book value of the assets. The applicant states that there will be no material impact upon distribution ratepayers of Hydro One as a result of this transaction.

Based on the evidence, I find that there are benefits to the proposed transaction, and no negative consequences have been identified. I therefore find that it is in the public interest to grant Hydro One leave to sell the assets described above to Lonesome Pine Trailer Park.

The approval of this application should in no way be construed as providing the Board's view as to the merits of any future rate proposal related to the assets that are the subject of this decision and order.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Hydro One Networks Inc. is granted leave to sell to Lonesome Pine Trailer Park the assets generally described in the application as five pole mounted distribution transformers.

ISSUED at Toronto, May 14, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

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