



EB-2013-0353

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 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act 1998* by Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. for an order to amend its electricity distribution licence (ED-2002-0498).

By delegation, before: Theodore Antonopoulos

DECISION AND ORDER
January 23, 2014

THE APPLICATION

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. ("Centre Wellington") filed a complete application on October 30, 2013 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an order of the Board to amend Centre Wellington's licensed service area in Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0498.

The service area amendment is requested specifically to include the Elora Waste Water Treatment Plant. The customer is located in the Township of Centre Wellington in Hydro One Network Inc.'s ("Hydro One") service territory, but is being serviced by Centre Wellington.

FINDINGS

Based on the evidence, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Schedule 1 of Centre Wellington's electricity distribution licence to include the customer noted above. The following facts are relevant to this decision.

The evidence filed with the application demonstrates that it is more economically efficient for Centre Wellington to serve the customer. Centre Wellington has an existing pole line along the boundary with Hydro One, and within Centre Wellington's wholesale metering points. Centre Wellington could therefore connect the customer on the Hydro One side of the border, but if it stayed a Hydro One customer it would have to be settled as a load transfer customer.

As part of the service area amendment, a distribution system upgrade will allow Hydro One to service directly from its wires three customers that are currently fed from Centre Wellington wires and are existing long term load transfer customers. This will eliminate the existing long term load transfers for these customers.

Hydro One supports the proposed service area amendment. A letter from the Township of Centre Wellington on behalf of the customer indicates it also supports the proposed service area amendment.

No assets will be stranded or redundant as a result of the proposed amendment. In addition, no negative impact on costs, rates, safety, reliability or service quality of Centre Wellington or Hydro One has been identified that would result from the proposed amendment.

The applicant requested that the Board decide the application without a hearing. I have done so. All affected parties consented to the application as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Centre Wellington's Electricity Distribution Licence (ED-2002-0498), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the following:

- 6510 Wellington Rd 7, Centre Wellington Township. Legal description, PT LT BROKEN FRONT CON 1 EAST OF GRAND RIVER PILKINGTON AS IN MS23746; CENTRE WELLINGTON.

No amendment is necessary to Hydro One licence because Hydro One's service area in the Township of Centre Wellington includes all areas except the areas served by Centre Wellington.

DATED at Toronto, January 23, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Theodore Antonopoulos
Manager, Electricity Rates