

**Ontario Energy Board**  
**Preliminary Filing Requirements**  
**For a Notice of Proposal under Sections 80 and 81**  
**Of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998***

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

This form applies to all applicants who are providing a Notice of Proposal to the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under sections 80 and 81 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act"), including parties who are also, as part of the same transaction or project, applying for other orders of the Board such as orders under sections 86 and 92 of the Act.

The Board has established this form under section 13 of the Act. Please note that the Board may require information that is additional or supplementary to the information filed in this form and that the filing of the form does not preclude the applicant from filing additional or supplementary information.

**PART I: GENERAL MINIMUM FILING REQUIREMENTS**

All applicants must complete and file the information requested in Part I.

**1.1 Identification of the Parties**

**1.1.1 Applicant**

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### 1.1.2 Other Parties to the Transaction or Project

Not applicable.

### 1.2 Relationship between Parties to the Transaction or Project

1.2.1	<p>Attach a list of the officers, directors and shareholders of each of the parties to the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>Below is a list of the officers, directors and shareholders of Pic Mobert Hydro Inc.</p> <p><b><u>Pic Mobert Hydro Inc. ("PMHI" or the "Applicant")</u></b></p> <p>Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Theresa Banaish</li><li>• Marlene Sabourin</li><li>• Norm Jaehrling</li><li>• William Eeuwes</li><li>• William Sutherland</li><li>• Chris Lambeck</li></ul> <p>Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• William Eeuwes, Director and Chairman</li><li>• James David Armitage Carter, Vice President Development and Operations</li><li>• Chris Lambeck, Director and President</li><li>• Nicolas Singh Dhillon, Vice President, Construction and Engineering</li><li>• David Jeffrey Ruch, Vice President, Finance</li><li>• Kelvin Chan, Controller</li></ul> <p>Shareholders: White River Hydro LP, Gitchi Animki Energy LP</p>	
1.2.2	<p>Attach a corporate chart describing the relationship between each of the parties to the proposed transaction or project and each of their respective affiliates.</p> <p>Please see Appendix A.</p>	

### 1.3 Description of the Businesses of Each of the Parties

1.3.1	<p>Attach a description of the business of each of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their affiliates licenced under the OEB Act to operate in Ontario for the generation, transmission, distribution, wholesaling or retailing of electricity or providing goods and services to companies licenced under the OEB Act in Ontario ("Electricity Sector Affiliates").</p> <p>PMHI was established to provide for the development, permitting, construction and operation of the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project, which project is comprised of two hydroelectric generating facilities on the White River, being the lower Gitchi Animki Niizh facility (the "Niizh Facility", 10 MW) and the upper Gitchi Animki Bezhig facility (the "Bezhig Facility", 8.9 MW), as well as transmission facilities as described in section 3.1.1 below. PMHI is licenced to own the Niizh Facility and the Bezhig Facility (EB-2012-0412).</p>	
1.3.2	<p>Attach a description of the geographic territory served by each of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their Electricity Sector Affiliates, if applicable, and the geographic location of all existing generation facilities.</p> <p>PMHI's geographic location is that of Brother's Township, White River, District of Algoma, in the Province of Ontario. The electricity to be generated by the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project will flow to the IESO-controlled grid, therefore no particular service territory will exist.</p>	
1.3.3	<p>Attach a breakdown of the annual sales (in C\$, and in MWh) as of the most recent fiscal year end of the existing generation output among the IESO Administered Markets ("IAM"), bilateral contracts, and local distribution companies.</p> <p>The Applicant has no existing generation output among the IESO Administered Markets, bilateral contracts and local distribution companies.</p>	
1.3.4	<p>Attach a list identifying all relevant Board licences and approvals held by the parties to the proposed transaction or project and each of their Electricity Sector Affiliates, and any applications currently before the Board, or forthcoming. Please include all Board file numbers.</p> <p>A list of all relevant Board licences and approvals held by the Applicant is below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electricity Generation Licence for the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project (EB-2012-0412); and</li> <li>• Leave to Construct (for the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project) (EB-2013-0036).</li> </ul>	

#### 1.4 Current Competitive Characteristics of the Market

1.4.1	<p>Describe the generation capacity (in MW), within the Province of Ontario, of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their respective Electricity Sector Affiliates, prior to the completion of the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>Prior to completion of the project, the Applicant will have no generation capacity in Ontario.</p>	
1.4.2	<p>Describe the generation market share based on actual MWh production as a percent of the Annual Primary Demand, within the Province of Ontario, of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their respective Electricity Sector Affiliates, prior to completion of the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>Prior to the completion of the project, the Applicant will have zero percent market share.</p>	

#### 1.5 Description of the Proposed Transaction or Project and Impact on Competition - General

1.5.1	<p>Attach a detailed description of the proposed transaction or project, including geographic locations of proposed new transmission or distribution systems, or new generation facilities.</p> <p>The proposed project consists of two hydroelectric power generating facilities on the White River in northwestern Ontario. The two hydroelectric power generating facilities are referred to as the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project. The two generating facilities will be approximately 12 km apart on the river. The Bezhig Facility will be located approximately 3.2 km downstream from the site of the existing White Lake Dam and the Niizh Facility approximately 1.6 km downstream from Chicagonce Falls.</p> <p>The transmission line from the Niizh site will travel north-easterly for about 12.5 km until it meets with the Bezhig GS transmission line. From there it will travel north northwesterly for about 11 km until it meets the interconnection substation north of Highway 17.</p> <p>The main features of the river and the immediate surrounding include the White Lake and White Lake/White River Dam, Town of White River and the Town of Marathon.</p>	
1.5.2	<p>Describe the generation capacity (in MW), within the Province of Ontario, of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their respective Electricity Sector Affiliates, after the completion of the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>The generation capacity (in MW), within the Province of Ontario, of the Applicant after the completion of the proposed transaction or project will be approximately 18.9 MW.</p>	

1.5.3	<p>Describe the generation market share based on anticipated MWh production as a percentage of the Annual Primary Demand, within the Province of Ontario, of the parties to the proposed transaction or project, including each of their respective Electricity Sector Affiliates, after the completion of the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>The generation market share based on anticipated MWh production as a percentage of the Annual Primary Demand, within the Province of Ontario, of the Applicant after the completion of the proposed transaction or project is 0.0007%. The Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric facility will produce an average of 95,000 MWh a year.</p>	
1.5.4	<p>Attach a short description of the impact, if any, of the proposed transaction or project on competition. If there will be no impact on competition, please state the reasons. Cite specifically the impacts of the proposal on customer choice regarding generation, energy wholesalers, and energy retailers.</p> <p>The Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project will make use of available grid capacity (IESO-controlled), and will have no impact on competition since (a) the Applicant has entered into a fixed-price power purchase agreement with the OPA, and (b) the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project is financed by the Applicant as opposed to directly by rate payers.</p> <p>The Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project does not affect the choice of consumers since power generated from the Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project is being flowed directly to the IESO-controlled grid for general consumption.</p>	
1.5.5	<p>Provide confirmation that the proposed transaction or project will have no impact on open access to the transmission or distribution system of the parties or their affiliates. If open access will be affected explain how and why.</p> <p>The Gitchi Animki Hydroelectric Project does not affect open access requirements.</p>	

## 1.6 Other Information

1.6.1	<p>Attach confirmation that the parties to the proposed transaction or project are in compliance with all licence and code requirements, and will continue to be in compliance after completion of the proposed transaction or project.</p> <p>The Applicant confirms that, to the best of its knowledge, it is and will continue to be in compliance with all licence and code requirements.</p>	
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**PART II: SECTION 80 OF THE ACT—TRANSMITTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS ACQUIRING AN INTEREST IN GENERATORS OR CONSTRUCTING A GENERATION FACILITY**

All applicants filing a Notice of Proposal under section 80 of the Act must complete and file the information requested in Part II.

**2.1 Effect on Competition**

2.1.2	Describe whether the proposed generation output will be primarily offered into the IAM, sold via bilateral contracts, or for own use.  Not applicable	
2.1.3	Provide a description of the generation including fuel source, technology used, maximum capacity output, typical number of hours of operation in a year, and peaking versus base-load character.  Not applicable	
2.1.4	Provide details on whether the generation facility is expected to sign a "must run" contract with the IESO.  Not applicable	
2.1.5	Provide details of whether the generation facility is expected to serve a "load pocket", or is likely to be "constrained on" due to transmission constraints.  Not applicable	

**2.2 System Reliability**

Section 2.2 must be completed by applicants who are claiming that the proposed transaction or project is required for system reliability under section 82(2)(b) of the Act.

2.2.1	Provide reasons why the proposal is required to maintain the reliability of the transmission or distribution system. Provide supporting studies.  Not applicable	
2.2.2	Discuss the effect of the proposal on the adequacy (ability of supply to meet demand) of supply in the relevant control area or distribution region, citing effects on capacity plus reserve levels in comparison to load forecasts.  Not applicable	
2.2.3	Discuss the effect of the proposal on the security (ability of supply to respond to system contingencies) of supply.  Not applicable	
2.2.4	Provide a copy of the IESO Preliminary System Impact Assessment Report, if completed, and the IESO Final System Impact Assessment Report, if completed. If the IESO is not conducting a System Impact Assessment Report, please explain.  Not applicable	

**PART III: SECTION 81 OF THE ACT—GENERATORS ACQUIRING AN INTEREST IN OR  
CONSTRUCTING A TRANSMISSION OR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

All applicants filing a Notice of Proposal under section 81 of the Act must complete and file the information requested in Part III.

**3.1 Effect on Competition**

3.1.1	<p>Provide a description of the transmission or distribution system being acquired or constructed.</p> <p>(i) A single 115 kV electricity transmission line (the "Transmission Line") approximately 23.5 kilometres in length, which will connect the two hydroelectric generating facilities (the Niizh Facility and the Bezhig Facility) on White River, to the Independent Electricity System Operator-controlled grid. The Transmission Line will begin at the downstream Niizh Facility, connect the Bezhig Facility and terminate at the interconnection point with Hydro One Networks' ("Hydro One") M2W 115 kV circuit;</p> <p>(ii) A switching station located adjacent to the M2W circuit;</p> <p>(iii) A switchyard located adjacent to the Niizh Facility powerhouse that will connect the Niizh Facility to the Transmission Line; and</p> <p>(iv) A switchyard located adjacent to the Bezhig Facility powerhouse that will connect the Bezhig Facility to the Transmission Line.</p>	
3.1.2	<p>Provide details on whether the generation facilities owned by the acquiring company are or will be directly connected to the transmission or distribution system being acquired or constructed.</p> <p>The generation facilities owned by the acquiring company will be constructed and directly connected to the transmission system being constructed.</p>	
3.1.3	<p>Provide details of whether the generation facility is expected to serve a "load pocket", or is likely to be "constrained on" due to transmission constraints.</p> <p>The generation facilities are neither expected to serve a load pocket or likely to be constrained on due to transmission constraints.</p>	
3.1.4	<p>Provide details on whether the generation facilities are expected to sign a "must run" contract with the IESO.</p> <p>The generation facilities are not expected to sign a "must run" contract with the IESO.</p>	

**How to Contact the Ontario Energy Board**

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## **APPENDIX A**

### **Corporate Organization Chart**



