

EB-2006-0212

**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 West Coast Huron Energy Inc. seeking an order to make changes to its Conservation and Demand Management plan;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by West Coast Huron Energy inc. under section 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking to dispose of the proceeding without a hearing.

**BEFORE:** Gordon Kaiser

Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Cathy Spoel Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

West Coast Huron Energy Inc. ("West Coast Huron") filed an application, dated August 23, 2006, for an order to approve changes to its Conservation and Demand Management ("CDM") plan. West Coast Huron has also requested, pursuant to subsection 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") that the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dispose of the proceeding without a hearing. The Board's assigned file number is EB-2006-0212.

On February 8, 2005, West Coast Huron was granted approval of its CDM plan. The total approved budget for West Coast Huron CDM plan is \$33,000. As a condition of approval, West Coast Huron was ordered to apply to the Board for approval if cumulative fund transfers among programs exceeded 20% of the approved budget.

West Coast Huron is seeking approval to reallocate some of the funds originally allocated to light bulb / timers giveaways and co-generation programs. West Coast Huron indicated the proposed change is required for the light bulb / timers giveaways as a result of administrative hurdles and it is no longer seeking to implement the cogeneration program.

West Coast Huron proposes that \$16,500 originally allocated to the light bulb / timers giveaways be reduced to \$4,750.43. Further, West Coast Huron proposes that the \$7,000 originally allocated to the co-generation program be reduced to \$0.00.

West Coast Huron proposes that \$5,000 of the available funds be reallocated to an ENERGY STAR Windows Rebate Program. Also proposed is \$5,000 for an Energy STAR Air Conditioner & Dehumidifier Rebate Program, \$5,000 for a PROJECT SAVE – Energy Efficiency Rebate Program, \$1,049.38 to LED Exit Sign Retrofits and \$2,700.19 for the Montreal St. Miser Streetlight Retrofit Pilot.

West Coast Huron has also requested the Board dispose of this matter without a hearing pursuant to section 21(4)(b) of the Act. Section 21(4)(b) of the Act states that the Board may dispose of a proceeding without a hearing if the Board determines that "no person, other than the applicant, appellant or licence holder will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding and the applicant, appellant or licence holder has consented to disposing of a proceeding without a hearing."

West Coast Huron issued public notice of its original CDM application (RP-2004-0203 / EB-2004-0502) as directed by the Board. There were no intervenors in the application. Based on the evidence filed, and in consideration of the level of participant involvement in the original proceeding, the Board finds that no person will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of this proceeding, and therefore finds that a hearing is not necessary.

The Board finds that the activities proposed by West Coast Huron qualify as CDM activities.

The Board approves the re-allocation of funds as proposed by West Coast Huron.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. West Coast Huron Energy Inc. is granted approval to re-allocate \$23,500 previously allocated to light bulb / timers giveaways and co-generation programs as set out in this Decision.

**DATED** at Toronto, November 23, 2006.

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

Original signed by

Peter O'Dell Assistant Board Secretary