

EB-2013-0414

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 Access Gas Services (Ontario) Inc. for a gas marketer licence.

By delegation, before: Theodore Antonopoulos

DECISION AND ORDER April 24, 2014

Access Gas Services (Ontario) Inc. ("Access Gas") filed a complete application on December 31, 2013 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 50 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for renewal of its gas marketer licence. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2013-0414.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Written Hearing on January 27, 2014. Board staff filed written interrogatories on February 20, 2014. Access Gas responded to Board staff interrogatories on March 4, 2014. Board staff filed a submission on March 20, 2014. Access Gas did not file a reply submission.

In gas marketer licence renewal applications, key areas for consideration by the Board include the financial position, technical capability and the conduct of the applicant.

In its submission, Board staff submitted that Access Gas' responses to the interrogatories reasonably addressed Board staff's concerns. Board staff submitted that Access Gas can reasonably be expected to be financially responsible in the conduct of its business. With respect to the applicant's technical capability and conduct, Board staff noted that all key individuals identified in the application have extensive experience

in the energy sector, and that the applicant provided a detailed description of the policies, processes and procedures in place or to be put in place to ensure compliance.

Based on the evidence and submission on the record, I agree with Board staff and find that it is in the public interest to grant Access Gas a gas marketer licence under Part IV of the Act.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The application for a gas marketer licence is granted, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence.

DATED at Toronto, April 24, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Theodore Antonopoulos Manager, Electricity Rates & Accounting