Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0045

**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 Powered Connections Inc. DBA PCI Energy for a gas marketer licence.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

## DECISION AND ORDER July 24, 2014

Powered Connections Inc. DBA PCI Energy ("PCI Energy") filed a complete application on April 3, 2014 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 50 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for a gas marketer licence. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2014-0045.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Written Hearing on April 24, 2014. Board staff filed written interrogatories on May 14, 2014. PCI Energy responded to Board staff's interrogatories on May 29, 2014. Board staff filed a submission on the application on June 12, 2014. PCI Energy did not file a reply submission.

Board staff submitted that PCI Energy has adequate technical and financial capabilities to operate effectively in the Ontario market.

The Board also considers the past conduct of an applicant, or of its officers and directors, when deciding whether to grant a gas marketer licence. PCI Energy has not previously been licensed as a gas marketer in Ontario and therefore has no past history

of marketing natural gas in Ontario. However, Board staff submitted that PCI Energy's interrogatory responses provided a detailed description of the policies, processes and procedures in place, or to be put in place, to ensure compliance with its legal and regulatory requirements if licensed. No issues were identified with the key individuals involved in PCI Energy, and Board staff submitted that these individuals have extensive experience in the energy sector.

Based on the evidence and submission on the record, I find that it is in the public interest to grant PCI Energy a gas marketer licence under Part IV of the Act.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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

**DATED** at Toronto, July 24, 2014

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