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



EB-2014-0303 EB-2014-0321

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 Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership for an electricity generation licence as a Feed-in Tariff program participant.

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Northland Power Inc. for amendment to its electricity generation licence EG-2003-0103.

By delegation, before: Peter Fraser

DECISION AND ORDER November 6, 2014

Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership ("GBWLP") filed an application dated September 23, 2014 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") for an electricity generation licence as a Feed-In Tariff Program participant. GBWLP applied as the owner of the Grand Bend Wind Farm.

On October 8, 2014 Northland Power Inc. filed an application to amend Schedule 1 of its electricity generation licence EG-2003-0103, to include the operator qualification for the Grand Bend Wind Farm.

The Board's Notice of Application and Written Hearing for GBWLP's electricity generation licence was posted on October 10, 2014. No parties responded to the Notice of Application and Written Hearing.

I have proceeded to decide Northland Power's application for a licence amendment without a hearing pursuant to section 21(4)(b) of the Act since no other parties are adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding, and Northland Power has consented to disposing of the application without a hearing.

After considering GBWLP's generation licence application, it has been found to be in the public interest to issue the electricity generation licence under Part V of the Act. I also find that it is in the public interest to grant Northland Power's requested licence amendment.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership's application for an electricity generation licence under the Feed-in Tariff program is granted, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence.
- 2. Northland Power Inc.'s electricity generation licence EG-2003-0103 is amended as set out in the revised Schedule 1. The amended licence is attached to this Order.

DATED at Toronto, November 6, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Peter Fraser Vice President, Industry Operations & Performance



Electricity Generation Licence

EG-2014-0303

Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership

Valid Until

November 5, 2034

Original signed by

Peter Fraser Vice President, Industry Operations & Performance Ontario Energy Board Date of Issuance: November 6, 2014

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"generation facility" means a facility for generating electricity or providing ancillary services, other than ancillary services provided by a transmitter or distributor through the operation of a transmission or distribution system and includes any structures, equipment or other things used for that purpose;

"Licensee" means Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership;

"regulation" means a regulation made under the Act or the Electricity Act;

2 Interpretation

2.1 In this Licence words and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Act or the Electricity Act. Words or phrases importing the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Licence. Any reference to a document or a provision of a document includes an amendment or supplement to, or a replacement of, that document or that provision of that document. In the computation of time under this Licence where there is a reference to a number of days between two events, they shall be counted by excluding the day on which the first event happens and including the day on which the second event happens. Where the time for doing an act expires on a holiday, the act may be done on the next day that is not a holiday.

3 Authorization

3.1 The Licensee is authorized, under Part V of the Act and subject to the terms and conditions set out in this licence, to generate electricity or provide an ancillary service for sale under a contract with the Ontario Power Authority and the contract is entered into as part of a standard offer program offered by the Ontario Power Authority. This Licence authorizes the Licensee only in respect of those facilities set out in Schedule 1.

4 Obligation to Comply with Legislation, Regulations and Market Rules

- 4.1 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Act and the Electricity Act, and regulations under these acts, except where the Licensee has been exempted from such compliance by regulation.
- 4.2 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable Market Rules.

5 Obligation to Maintain System Integrity

5.1 Where the IESO has identified, pursuant to the conditions of its licence and the Market Rules, that it is necessary for purposes of maintaining the reliability and security of the IESO-controlled

grid, for the Licensee to provide energy or ancillary services, the IESO may require the Licensee to enter into an agreement for the supply of energy or such services.

5.2 Where an agreement is entered into in accordance with paragraph 5.1, it shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Market Rules or such other conditions as the Board may consider reasonable. The agreement shall be subject to approval by the Board prior to its implementation. Unresolved disputes relating to the terms of the Agreement, the interpretation of the Agreement, or amendment of the Agreement, may be determined by the Board.

6 Restrictions on Certain Business Activities

6.1 Neither the Licensee, nor an affiliate of the Licensee shall acquire an interest in a transmission or distribution system in Ontario, construct a transmission or distribution system in Ontario or purchase shares of a corporation that owns a transmission or distribution system in Ontario except in accordance with section 81 of the Act.

7 Provision of Information to the Board

- 7.1 The Licensee shall maintain records of and provide, in the manner and form determined by the Board, such information as the Board may require from time to time.
- 7.2 Without limiting the generality of paragraph 7.1 the Licensee shall notify the Board of any material change in circumstances that adversely affects or is likely to adversely affect the business, operations or assets of the Licensee, as soon as practicable, but in any event no more than twenty (20) days past the date upon which such change occurs.

8 Term of Licence

8.1 This Licence shall take effect on November 6, 2014 and expire on November 5, 2034. The term of this Licence may be extended by the Board.

9 Fees and Assessments

9.1 The Licensee shall pay all fees charged and amounts assessed by the Board.

10 Communication

- 10.1 The Licensee shall designate a person that will act as a primary contact with the Board on matters related to this Licence. The Licensee shall notify the Board promptly should the contact details change.
- 10.2 All official communication relating to this Licence shall be in writing.
- 10.3 All written communication is to be regarded as having been given by the sender and received by the addressee:
 - a) when delivered in person to the addressee by hand, by registered mail or by courier;
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c) when received by facsimile transmission by the addressee, according to the sender=s transmission report.

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SCHEDULE 1 LIST OF LICENSED GENERATION FACILITIES

The Licence authorizes the Licensee only in respect to the following:

1. The ownership of the Grand Bend Wind Farm¹ with an installed capacity of 100 MW located at RR#2 Zurich, Ontario N0M 2T0.

¹ Operated by Northland Power Inc., under the authority of its generation licence EG-2003-0103.



Electricity Generation Licence

EG-2003-0103

Northland Power Inc.

Valid Until

October 26, 2023

Original signed by

Peter Fraser Vice President, Industry Operations & Performance Ontario Energy Board Date of Issuance: October 27, 2003 Date of Amendment: August 23, 2012 Date of Amendment: February 7, 2013 Date of Amendment: March 14, 2013 Date of Amendment: September 5, 2013 Date of Amendment: January 9, 2014 Date of Amendment: November 6, 2014

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 - b) to purchase electricity or ancillary services in the IESO-administered markets or directly from a generator subject to the conditions set out in this Licence; and
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SCHEDULE 1 LIST OF LICENSED GENERATION FACILITIES

The Licence authorizes the Licensee only in respect to the following:

- 1. The operation of Kirkland Lake Power Corp. biomass and gas fired generating station,¹ with an installed capacity of 132 MW, located at 505 Archers Drive, Kirkland Lake, Ontario.
- 2. The operation of Cochrane Power Corp. biomass and gas fired generating station,² with an installed capacity of 42 MW, located at 506 4th Street East, Cochrane, Ontario.
- 3. The operation of Iroquois Falls Power Corp. gas fired generating station,³ with an installed capacity of 120MW, located at 1 Industrial Road, Iroquois Falls, Ontario.
- 4. The operation of Northland Power Solar Crosby, ⁴ with an installed capacity of 10MW, located at 249 Little Rideau Lake Road, Portland, Ontario.
- 5. The operation of Northland Power Solar Belleville North,⁵ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lot 65, Concession 5, Prince Edward County, Ontario.
- 6. The operation of Northland Power Solar Rideau Lakes,⁶ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at 360 Narrow Locks Road, Rideau Lakes, Ontario.
- The operation of Northland Power Solar McCann, ⁷ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at 878 McCann Road, Rideau Lakes, Ontario.
- 8. The operation of Northland Power Solar Burks Falls East, ⁸ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at 827 Chetwynd Road, Armour, Ontario.
- 9. The operation of Northland Power Solar Belleville South, ⁹ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lot 61/62, Concession 2, Prince Edward County, Ontario.
- 10. The operation of Thorold CoGen GS, ¹⁰ with an installed capacity of 305 MW located at 2 Allanburg Road, Thorold, Ontario.

2 Owned by Cochrane Power Corp. under authority of its generation licence EG-2003-0100.

4 Owned by Northland Power Solar Crosby L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0179.

¹ Owned by Kirkland Lake Power Corp. under authority of its generation licence EG-2003-0101.

³ Owned by Iroquois Falls Power Corp. under authority of its generation licence EG-2003-0144.

⁵ Owned by Northland Power Solar Belleville North L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0274.

⁶ Owned by Northland Power Solar Rideau Lakes L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0275.

⁷ Owned by Northland Power Solar McCann L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0291. 8 Owned by Northland Power Solar Burks Falls East L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0292.

⁹ Owned by Northland Power Solar Belleville South L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0293.

¹⁰ Owned by Thorold CoGen L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2007-0101.

- 11. The operation of Northland Power Solar Glendale, ¹¹ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at 18085 County Road 19, Township of South Glengarry, United Counties of Stormont, Dundad and Glengarry, Ontario.
- 12. The operation of Northland Power Solar North Burgess, ¹² with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Part of Lot 13, Concession 9, Tay Valley Township, County of Lanark, Ontario.
- 13. The operation of Northland Power Solar Burks Falls West, ¹³ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lot 1 to 3, Concession 8, Armour Township, District of Parry Sound, Ontario.
- 14. The operation of McLean's Mountain Wind Farm, ¹⁴ with an installed capacity of 60 MW located at RR 1, Little Current, Ontario.
- 15. The operation of Northland Power Solar Martin's Meadows, ¹⁵ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lot 16 of Concession 8, Cochrane, Ontario.
- 16. The operation of Northland Power Solar Abitibi, ¹⁶ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lots 14 and 15 of Concession 8, Cochrane, Ontario.
- 17. The operation of Northland Power Solar Empire, ¹⁷ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Lots 17 & 18, Concession 7, Cochrane, Ontario.
- 18. The operation of Northland Power Solar Long Lake, ¹⁸ with an installed capacity of 10 MW located at Rural Road #4, Site 1, Box Comp 2, Hunta, Ontario.
- 19. The operation of Grand Bend Wind Farm, ¹⁹ with an installed capacity of 100 MW located at RR #2, Zurich, Ontario.

¹¹ Owned by Northland Power Solar Glendale L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0471.

¹² Owned by Northland Power Solar North Burgess L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0472.

¹³ Owned by Northland Power Solar Burks Falls West L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2012-0473.

¹⁴ Owned by McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership under authority of its generation licence EG-2013-0015.

¹⁵ Owned by Northland Power Solar Martin's Meadows L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2013-0376.

¹⁶ Owned by Northland Power Solar Abitibi L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2013-0377.

¹⁷ Owned by Northland Power Solar Empire L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2013-0378. 18 Owned by Northland Power Solar Long Lake L.P. under authority of its generation licence EG-2013-0379.

¹⁹ Owned by Grand Bend Wind Limited Partnership under authority of its generation licence EG-2014-0303