

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

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2016-0304

WEST COAST HURON ENERGY INC.

Application for Service Area Amendment

BY DELEGATION,

BEFORE: Peter Fraser Vice President

November 17, 2016

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West Coast Huron Energy Inc. (West Coast Huron) filed an application on October 6, 2016 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an order of the OEB to amend its licensed service area set out in Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0510.

This Decision and Order is being issued by Delegated Authority, pursuant to Section 6 of the Act.

The service area amendment is required specifically to include the Coast Development Phase 1 in the County of Huron owned by 2116873 Ontario Limited. This property is the first phase of a residential development in the County of Huron, within the municipal boundary of the Town of Goderich but outside and adjacent to the existing service area of West Coast Huron. The subject area currently resides in the service territory of Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One).

The description of the subject lot is:

2. Blocks 8, 9, and 10 of Part of Lot 3, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Goderich (Town of Goderich, formerly in the Municipality of Central Huron), in the County of Huron.

Based on the evidence, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Schedule 1 of West Coast Huron's electricity distribution licence to include the above-noted property.

The evidence filed with the application demonstrates that it is more efficient for West Coast Huron Energy Inc. to connect the property. West Coast Huron has stated that the proposed service area amendment is consistent with the objective of a rational and efficient service area alignment based on economic efficiency. Hydro One and the developer of the land, 2116873 Ontario Limited, have confirmed their support of the proposed service area amendment.

No assets will be stranded or redundant as a result of the proposed amendment. In addition, no negative impact on costs, rates, safety, reliability or service quality of West Coast Huron or Hydro One has been identified that would result from the proposed amendment.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

West Coast Huron Energy Inc.'s Electricity Distribution Licence (ED-2002-0510), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the following:

1. Blocks 8, 9, and 10 of Part of Lot 3, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Goderich (Town of Goderich, formerly in the Municipality of Central Huron), in the County of Huron.

DATED at Toronto, November 17, 2016

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Peter Fraser Vice President