

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

INTERIM ORDER

EB-2016-0357/0358

CANADIAN ENERGY PROTECTION CORP.

Application for a Gas Marketer Licence Application for an Electricity Retailer Licence

BY DELEGATION, BEFORE: Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

February 27, 2017

INTERIM ORDER

Canadian Energy Protection Corp. (CEPC) filed an application on December 5, 2016 under section 50 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for renewal of its gas marketer licence GM-2014-0342. CEPC also filed an application under section 60 of the OEB Act to renew its electricity retailer licence ER-2014-0343. Both applications were deemed incomplete as filed.

With its applications, CEPC filed a letter stating that due to unforeseen circumstances it could not submit the renewal applications as early as it initially intended and could not file some supporting documents required by the applications.

CEPC's current licences were issued on March 5, 2015 and are set to expire on March 4, 2017. On January 31, 2017, CEPC filed a letter requesting an extension to the term of the licences, pending the final determination of its renewal applications. As the remaining documentation to complete the applications was submitted on February 17, 2017, the current licences will expire prior to final determination of the renewal applications. The licences provide that the term may be extended by the OEB. The applicant is currently engaged in marketing natural gas and retailing electricity to low-volume consumers in Ontario. Under sections 48 and 57 of the OEB Act, no person shall, unless licensed to do so, engage in marketing natural gas and retailing electricity in Ontario.

Considering the time required for processing the applications in accordance with the OEB's established practice and procedures, and considering the applicant's activities, I find that it is in the public interest to issue an interim order granting a short-term extension to the applicant's gas marketer licence GM-2014-0342 and retailer licence ER-2014-0343 pending final disposition of the matters.

The applicant is reminded that it carries the onus of filing the applications in a timely basis before licences expiry, and with regard to the time required to process licence applications according to the OEB's established practice and procedures. This order does not constitute a final decision on the applications.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The term of Canadian Energy Protection Corp.'s gas marketer licence GM-2014-0342 is extended until July 31, 2017 or when its licence renewal application is determined on a final basis, whichever is earlier.

2. The term of Canadian Energy Protection Corp.'s electricity retailer licence E-2014-0343 is extended until July 31, 2017 or when its licence renewal application is determined on a final basis, whichever is earlier.

DATED at Toronto February 27, 2017

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Original Signed By

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance