



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

ORDER

EB-2017-0156

ERIE THAMES POWERLINES CORPORATION

Application for a Service Area Amendment

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

May 25, 2017

ORDER

Erie Thames Powerlines Corporation (ETPC) filed an application dated April 3, 2017 under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for a licence amendment to amend Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0516. Schedule 1 of the licence sets out the service area within which ETPC is authorized to provide electricity distribution services.

I have considered the application without holding a hearing pursuant to section 6(4) of the OEB Act.

The service area amendment would include the vacant land described as 1 Chamberlain Avenue in Ingersoll with a legal description Block 63; Plan 41M-309, in the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford within EPTC's service area. The land consists of one lot for 11 townhomes and one service house. The land is currently located within the licensed service area of Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One).

The evidence filed with the application demonstrates that it is more economically efficient for ETPC to serve the proposed townhome complex. The new development is a continuation of the residential subdivision which was added to ETPC's service area in 2011 (EB-2011-0085). ETPC has existing infrastructure immediately adjacent to the subject area, which can accommodate the anticipated load with minimal investment. A letter from Hydro One filed with the application indicates that Hydro One supports ETPC's application for the proposed service area amendment.

No assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. No negative impact on rates, reliability or service quality of ETPC or Hydro One has been identified as a result of the proposed amendment.

I find that it is in the public interest to amend Schedule 1 of ETPC's distribution licence to include the land described above. I note that Hydro One's distribution licence does not need to be amended given the manner in which Schedule 1 of Hydro One's licence is presented.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Erie Thames Powerlines Corporation's electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0516, specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the following:

1 Chamberlain Avenue, Ingersoll, Ontario - Block 63; Plan 41M-309, in the Town of Ingersoll, County of Oxford.

The amended licence is attached to this Order.

DATED at Toronto May 25, 2017

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance