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

INTERIM DECISION AND ORDER EB-2018-0145

ERTH BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

Application for an Electricity Retailer Licence

BY DELEGATION,

BEFORE: Brian Hewson

Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

ERTH Business Technologies Inc. filed an application on April 4, 2018 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), under section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) to renew its electricity retailer licence ER-2012-0465.

The licence that is the subject of the renewal application was issued to the applicant on April 11, 2013 for a five year term and expired on April 10, 2018. The licence provides that the term may be extended by the OEB. By letter to the OEB filed along with the licence application on April 4, 2018, the applicant requested an extension to the term of their current licence ER-2012-0465.

ERTH Business Technologies Inc. is currently engaged in electricity retailing activities. As per section 57 (d) of the OEB Act, no person can retail electricity unless licensed to do so. Considering the time required to process an application in accordance with the OEB's established practice and procedures, and considering the applicant's need to be licensed to continue with its electricity retailing activities, it has been found to be in the public interest to issue an interim order granting an extension to the applicant's electricity retail licence ER-2012-0465 pending the final disposition of the renewal application.

This Interim Order is being issued by Delegated Authority sections 21(7) and 6(4) of the OEB Act.

The applicant is reminded that it carries the onus of filing an application on a timely basis given the OEB's typical timelines for processing licence applications.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The term of ERTH Business Technologies Inc.'s licence ER-2012-0465 is extended until August 31, 2018, or until the final determination of the electricity retail licence application, whichever is earlier.

DATED at Toronto, April 11, 2018

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Original Signed By

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance