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



EB-2018-0098

Hydro One Networks Inc.

Application for leave to upgrade a transmission line and associated station facilities between Spruce Falls Junction and Carmichael Falls Junction in the Kapuskasing area

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 June 1, 2018

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) has filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under sections 92 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B (Act) for approval to upgrade an existing 115 kilovolt electricity overhead transmission line and station facilities and for approval of the form of land use agreements it offers to landowners to use their lands for construction of the proposed upgrade. The application was filed on February 6, 2018, and amended on March 8, 2018 to include a request for approval of the land use agreements.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on March 27, 2018.

Procedural Order No. 1 was issued on April 23, 2018. The order granted the intervention request filed by the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), and set out procedural dates relating to the filing of interrogatories and written submissions.

Subsequently, on May 1, 2018, the OEB received a late intervention request from Atlantic Power Corporation (APC). Hydro One did not object to APC's intervention request. On May 3, 2018, the OEB issued a letter to APC, with a copy to all parties, accepting APC's intervention request in this proceeding.

Since then, the OEB has received a number of letters of comment in regards to this proceeding. The letters of comment generally relate to APC's Calstock Facility (a local

renewable biomass generation facility) which APC currently operates under a contract with the IESO that is set to expire in the summer of 2020.

Specifically, on May 22, 2018, the Mayor of Hearst filed a letter of comment expressing concern with Hydro One's application, and requesting that the OEB ensure that the full benefits of the Calstock Facility are valued and considered in this proceeding. Then, on May 23, 2018, a letter of comment was received from Lecours Lumber Co. Limited, a local sawmill on Federal Land of Constance Lake First Nation, which is in the proximity of the Calstock Facility. Lecours Lumber Co. Limited requests that the OEB complete a thorough cost comparison of all alternatives to ensure that the full benefits of the Calstock Facility are considered in this proceeding. Finally, each of Columbia Forest Products Inc., the Mayor of the Municipality of Mattice-Val Côté and Hearst Forest Management Inc. also raised similar concerns with Hydro One's application, in letters of comment filed on May 28, 2018 and May 30, 2018, respectively.

In its letter of intervention, APC indicated that it intends to participate actively and responsibly in the proceeding by submitting evidence, argument or interrogatories as necessary. The OEB finds that it can be assisted by APC's written evidence and therefore provides all intervenors, including APC, with the opportunity to file such evidence.

The OEB considers it necessary to make provision at this time for the following procedural steps.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Intervenors may file written evidence with the OEB and deliver it to all parties by June 7, 2018.
- 2. Any party may file with the OEB written interrogatories on any of the intervenor evidence filed and deliver them to all parties by **June 14, 2018**.
- 3. Any party that receives interrogatories on its evidence shall file with the OEB complete written responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to all parties by **June 21, 2018**.
- 4. Intervenors and OEB staff shall file their final submissions by **June 28, 2018.**

- 5. Hydro One shall file its written reply to intervenor and OEB staff final submissions by **July 5, 2018.**
- 6. The dates of **June 5**, **2018** and **June 12**, **2018** for the filing of submissions and reply submission, respectively, as set out in Procedural Order No. 1 are cancelled.

All filings to the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0098 and be made electronically in searchable/unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <u>https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/</u>. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>http://www.oeb.ca/OEB/Industry</u>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Michael Lesychyn at <u>Michael.Lesychyn@oeb.ca</u> and OEB Counsel, Richard Lanni at <u>Richard.Lanni@oeb.ca</u>.

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DATED at Toronto, June 1, 2018

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