



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

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2018-0284

ALGOMA POWER INC.

An order for the extension of an interim distribution licence issued in relation to the operation of the distribution assets in the Township of Dubreuilville.

DUBREUIL LUMBER INC.

An order requiring Dubreuil Lumber Inc. to surrender possession and control of the electricity distribution system in the Township of Dubreuilville to Algoma Power Inc.

By delegation before: Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection &
Industry Performance

October 3, 2018

DECISION AND ORDER

On April 4, 2017 the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a Decision and Order (the Order) requiring Algoma Power Inc. (Algoma Power) to take possession and control of the distribution system assets owned by Dubreuil Lumber Inc. (DLI) in the Township of Dubreuilville. The Order also authorized the issuance of interim electricity distribution licence #ED-2017-0153 (the Interim Licence) to Algoma Power for the purpose of operating DLI's distribution assets. In accordance with the Order, Algoma Power filed a notice of transition on April 26, 2017 confirming that it had taken possession and control of the DLI distribution system and began serving the customers of DLI.

The Order and Interim Licence were issued under sections 59.(1) and 59.(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act). A licence issued under these sections may not exceed a term of six months, unless it is extended by the OEB. The OEB hereby extends the Interim Licence from its current expiry date of October 3, 2018 for a further six months.

This Decision and Order is being issued by Delegated Authority without a hearing, pursuant to section 6 of the OEB Act.

Algoma Power was engaged in commercial discussions with DLI regarding the acquisition by Algoma Power of DLI's distribution system. The agreement with DLI has been reached and on September 24, 2018, Algoma Power and DLI filed an application¹ for leave of the OEB to sell DLI's distribution system to Algoma Power and to include the Township of Dubreuilville in Algoma Power's service territory.

As DLI remains the owner of its distribution assets until the OEB renders its decision in the MAADs application, the OEB requires that DLI shall, by October 26, 2018, have renewed its licence ED-2012-0074.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Algoma Power Inc. shall continue to:
 - a. Comply with the interim distribution licence shown in Appendix A, which authorizes Algoma Power Inc. to remain in possession and control of the

¹ EB-2018-0271

electricity distribution system owned and operated by Dubreuil Lumber Inc.

- b. Collect revenue from customers within the service area of Dubreuil Lumber Inc. based on the charges that are currently applied by Dubreuil Lumber Inc.
 - c. Record revenues collected from customers within the service area of Dubreuil Lumber Inc. and the costs of operation and maintenance of the system in a deferral account under the Uniform System of Accounts.
2. Dubreuil Lumber Inc. shall continue to:
 - a. Surrender possession and control of its distribution system business including its distribution assets to Algoma Power Inc.
 - b. Not be entitled to any compensation from the Crown, the OEB or any person for being required to surrender possession and control of its distribution assets and business.
 - c. Continue to be responsible for meeting all requirements under its current licence until the transfer is complete.
3. The term of the interim electricity distribution licence is extended for period of six months to April 2, 2019 or until the final determination of the MAADs application EB-2018-0271, whichever is earlier.

DATED at Toronto October 3, 2018

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance