

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

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2018-0322

HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.

Application for leave to sell distribution assets to Calabogie Peaks ULC, doing business as Calabogie Peaks Resort.

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

February 7, 2019

DECISION AND ORDER

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 26, 2018, under section 86(1)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), for an order granting Hydro One leave to sell distribution system assets to Calabogie Peaks ULC, doing business as Calabogie Peaks Resort (Calabogie). The assets that are the subject of the proposed transaction are 4 padmount transformers and 3 overhead transformers located at 30 Barrett Chute Road in Calabogie, Ontario.

This Decision and Order is being issued by the Delegated Authority, without holding a hearing, pursuant to Section 6(4) of the OEB Act.

THE APPLICATION

Section 86(1)(b) of the OEB Act provides that leave of the OEB is required before a transmitter or a distributor can "sell, lease or otherwise dispose of that part of its transmission or distribution system that is necessary in serving the public". Hydro One in its application stated that the assets that are the subject of this transaction are necessary in serving the public, specifically Hydro One's customer Calabogie.

The sale transaction will transfer ownership of the assets to Calabogie, enabling it to own their own assets to operate moving forward. Hydro One explained that Calabogie is expanding their facility due to the increased demand and is consolidating the existing connections into a single connection point, therefore it is more efficient for Calabogie to own their own assets. The assets will continue to supply electricity to Calabogie at the same location as it is being served presently.

The parties to the transaction have agreed that the assets are being sold for the sale price of \$18,511.00 plus HST, which covers the net book value of the assets.

The applicant stated that the transaction will not adversely affect the safety, reliability, quality of service, operational flexibility or economic efficiency of Hydro One. As well, the applicant stated that there will be no impact on Hydro One's distribution rates as a result of the assets sale.

FINDINGS

The OEB finds that the proposed transaction is reasonable and is not anticipated to have any negative effects on the public interest. It is therefore in the public interest to grant Hydro One leave to sell the distribution assets described above to Calabogie.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Hydro One Networks Inc. is granted leave to sell 4 padmount transformers and 3 overhead transformers located at 30 Barrett Chute Road in Calabogie, Ontario to Calabogie Peaks ULC, doing business as Calabogie Peaks Resort.

DATED at Toronto February 7, 2019

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance