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DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2019-0126

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 for the extension of the term of Dubreuil Lumber Inc.'s distribution licence ED-2012-0074.

By delegation before: **Brian Hewson**

Vice President, Consumer Protection &
Industry Performance

April 2, 2019

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 (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 Interim Licence has previously been extended by the OEB and is set to expire on April 2, 2019

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

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 (the MAADs application). The OEB has not yet rendered a decision in the MAADs application.

In order to maintain the reliability and quality of electricity supply to the Township of Dubreuilville, the OEB hereby extends the Interim Licence for a further six months on the terms as set out in this Decision and Order and the licence.

Further, as DLI remains the owner of its distribution system, the OEB orders that the term of DLI's distribution licence ED-2012-0074 is extended to October 2, 2019.

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 electricity distribution system owned and operated by Dubreuil Lumber Inc.

¹ EB-2018-0271

- 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 Algoma Power Inc.'s interim electricity distribution licence is extended for period of six months to October 2, 2019.
4. The term of the Dubreuil Lumber Inc.'s distribution licence ED-2012-0074 is extended for period of six months to October 2, 2019.

DATED at Toronto April 2, 2019

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Original Signed By

Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance