

July 16, 2019

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Ms. Kirsten Walli
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Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Walli

**Re: Upper Canada Transmission, Inc. operating as NextBridge Infrastructure
("NextBridge")
Ontario Energy Board ("Board") File EB-2019-0127
East-West Tie Project**

On June 10, 2019, NextBridge filed with the Board an Amended Expropriation Application removing 10 of the original 23 expropriation parcels identified in its original Expropriation Application that was filed on April 17, 2019. The Amended Expropriation Application now seeks the Board's authority to expropriate interests in relation to 13 parcels of land. This letter provides an update in respect of the service efforts and results.

On June 11, 2019, NextBridge filed an Affidavit of Service in accordance with the Board's Letter of Direction dated May 28, 2019. NextBridge's Affidavit of Service provided evidence of service of the Expropriation Application. Specifically, the Affidavit of Service evidenced service on the 56 registered owners, encumbrancers or other interest-holders identified in relation to the 13 remaining parcels of land for expropriation, with the exception of 2 registered owners and 12 encumbrancers/interest-holders.

As of today's date, NextBridge has successfully served 1 registered owner and 2 encumbrancers/interest-holders that were previously identified as not having been served in the Affidavit of Service. Furthermore, 4 packages to encumbrancers for which NextBridge received certificates of delivery have now been returned to sender. The following chart summarizes the current status of service:

	Registered Owners	Encumbrancers
Total	7	49
Served	6	39*
Not Served	1	10

****3 of the 39 were confirmed "delivered" but have now been returned to sender.***

NextBridge has made additional efforts to serve the 1 registered owner and 10 encumbrancers who remain unserved, and the 3 other encumbrancers whose packages were confirmed

delivered but later returned to sender. Service was attempted in each case where an address appeared on the instrument, and further service attempts were made at alternate addresses based on multiple sources of information, including reviewing other instruments registered in similar time periods, using the knowledge of project staff obtained through consultation with affected owners and stakeholders in the project area, and, in the case of corporate encumbrancers, searching various government databases (corporate filings, records of amalgamations, dissolutions).

In respect of the 1 registered owner (identified in Appendix F-4 of the Amended Expropriation Application), the package was returned to sender and NextBridge has been unable to locate this individual. NextBridge is aware that the Ministry of Finance (Ontario) has issued a Notice pursuant to the *Provincial Land Tax Act* which states that the taxes imposed on the owner's parcel of land have been unpaid for a period of two years or more. The Notice further advises that the land and every interest therein will be liable to be forfeited and to be vested in the Crown on December 1, 2019. A redacted version of this Notice is appended to this letter and a confidential version will be provided in a separate, sealed envelope.

In respect of the encumbrancers whose packages were confirmed delivered but later returned to sender, all are corporations: 980976 Ontario Limited (amalgamated to Bonhomme Enterprises Inc.), Bonhomme Enterprises Inc., Capital Trust, and River Oaks Gold Corporation.

In respect of the 10 unserved encumbrancers, 8 of the encumbrancers are corporations and, of those 8, NextBridge has determined that:

- a) 4 are corporations that are dissolved or no longer exist (3011650 Nova Scotia Limited, Quest Ventures Ltd., Great Lakes Power Corporation Limited, Great Lakes Power Company Limited);
- b) 2 have incorrect addresses listed in the land registry (The Williams Company and Bronia GMBH);
- c) 1 refused service (Republic National Bank of New York (Canada)); and
- d) 1 is a corporation that has been terminated due to liquidation discharge (Central Guaranty Trust Company).

Two of the 10 unserved encumbrancers are individuals for whom no address appears on the relevant land title documents. The 2 individuals hold interests in the parcel of land identified in Appendix F-12 of the Amended Expropriation Application, and NextBridge notes that the owner of this parcel has been successfully served.

NextBridge's preferred approach to acquiring land rights for the project continues to be through negotiating mutually acceptable agreements. With the exception of the 1 registered owner referenced above, NextBridge has successfully served all impacted registered owners and has been engaged in ongoing negotiations with all of these owners, or their representatives. Based on recent correspondence with these owners, NextBridge is hopeful that continued engagement will allow the parties to reach agreements.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at your earliest opportunity.

Yours truly,

AIRD & BERLIS LLP

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