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## **DECISION AND ORDER**

**EB-2019-0249**

### **ENTEGRUS POWERLINES INC.**

**Application for a Service Area Amendment**

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

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**December 5, 2019**

## DECISION AND ORDER

Entegrus Powerlines Inc. (EPI) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 4, 2019 under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for an amendment to EPI's service area as described in Schedule 1 of its distribution licence ED-2002-0563. Schedule 1 of the licence sets out the service area within which EPI is authorized to provide electricity distribution services.

EPI requested the amendment to include the vacant land owned by Wastel Development Inc. and described as Part 1 of Plan 33R-17367, Part of Lot 9, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Caradoc, Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc. The proposed service area amendment is required in order for EPI to provide electricity distribution services to the Park Street Subdivision comprising of 22 lots for single-detached residential dwellings that is being developed on the identified land. The identified land is currently within the service area of Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) and is adjacent to EPI's service area.

The application has been considered by the Delegated Authority without holding a hearing pursuant to section 6(4) of the OEB Act.

The evidence filed with the application indicates that it is more economically efficient for EPI to serve the proposed development. The evidence identified that HONI also has existing distribution assets that abut the subject development, however EPI's fully allocated connection costs to service the new subdivision would be less than the costs of HONI providing the service.

HONI has confirmed its support of the application through a consent letter filed as part of the application. In addition, the developer, Wastel Development Inc., has indicated that it prefers EPI to be their electrical service provider.

The evidence states that no assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. Rates of both distributors will be unaffected and there will be no effect on safety, reliability or service quality.

Based on the evidence, the OEB finds it to be in the public interest to approve the service area amendment proposed by EPI. EPI's licence will be amended to include the identified lands and HONI's distribution licence ED-2003-0043 will be amended to remove the identified land from Schedule 1 of HONI's licence.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. Entegrus Powerlines Inc.'s electricity distribution licence (ED-2002-0563), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to add the following:

The Entegrus Powerlines Inc. Rate Zone:

Part 1 of Plan 33R-17367, Part of Lot 9, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Caradoc, Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc.

2. Hydro One Networks Inc.'s electricity distribution licence (ED-2003-0043), specifically Appendix B, Tab 4 of the licence, is amended as follows:

**Name of Municipality:**                      **Township of Strathroy-Caradoc**

**Formerly Known As:**                      Town of Strathroy, Township of Caradoc, as at  
December 31, 2000.

**Area Not Served By Networks:** The area served by Entegrus Powerlines Inc. described as the former Police Village of Mount Brydges (in the former Township of Caradoc) and parts of the Town of Strathroy as more particularly set out in Licence No. ED-2002- 0563.

The amended licences are attached to this Decision and Order.

**DATED** at Toronto December 5, 2019

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Brian Hewson  
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance