

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

EB-2019-0281

# HYDRO ONE REMOTE COMMUNITIES INC.

**Application for a Licence Amendment** 

BY DELEGATION, BEFORE: Brian Hewson

Vice President

Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

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Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. (HORCI) filed an application on November 18, 2019 under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) to amend the HORCI's licensed service area as described in Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2003-0037.

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 arises from an amendment to section 1.(1) of Ontario Regulation 199/02 (Regulation) that took effect on January 1, 2020, which identifies the communities where HORCI is required to provide electricity supply and distribution service.

In its application, HORCI stated that the amendment request does not encompass all the communities listed in section 1.(1) of the Regulation. Communities<sup>1</sup> that are listed in the Regulation but not included in the amendment request are those communities that are currently served by someone other than HORCI, however will be served by HORCI once its transfer requirements are satisfied and the communities are ready to be connected to the IESO-controlled grid by way of the Wataynikanyap Power LP transmission line. At that time, HORCI will apply to the OEB to make the necessary amendment to include the remaining six communities in Schedule 1 of its distribution licence.

The OEB has considered the request and approves the requested amendment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Keewaywin First Nations Muskrat Dam First Nations North Spirit Lake First Nations Poplar Hill First Nations Wawakapewin First Nations Wunnumin Lake First Nations

### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Hydro One Remote Communities Inc.'s electricity distribution licence ED-2003-0037, specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended.

The amended licence is attached to this Decision and Order.

**DATED** at Toronto January 16, 2020

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance