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DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2020-0272

ALECTRA UTILITIES CORPORATION

Application for a Service Area Amendment

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

February 4, 2021

DECISION AND ORDER

Alectra Utilities Corporation (Alectra Utilities) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 16, 2020 under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for an amendment to Alectra Utilities' service area as described in Schedule 1 of its distribution licence ED-2016-0360.

Alectra Utilities requested the amendment to include land described as PT LT 12 CON 1, Division B, Geographic Township of Guelph/Eramosa Designated as PT 1 ON PL 61R20194 Township of Guelph/Eramosa, with the civic address: 5410 Wellington Road, Township of Guelph/Eramosa. This property is owned by CEVA Animal Hospital Inc.

The proposed service area amendment is required in order that Alectra Utilities may provide electricity distribution services to CEVA Animal Health Inc. The identified land is currently within the service area of Hydro One and is adjacent to Alectra Utilities' 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 Alectra Utilities to serve the customer. The evidence identified that Alectra Utilities has an existing overhead distribution line in the vicinity of the proposed new site and would require a new 100-meter extension of the existing 3-phase pole line. Hydro One identified that it would require a 2 km 3-phase distribution line extension to connect the customer. Other than to enable connection of CEVA Animal Health Inc. there are no other requirements for Hydro One to extend their 3-phase distribution pole line in this general area.

Hydro One has confirmed its support of the application through a consent letter filed as part of the application. In addition, the customer, CEVA Animal Health Inc., prefers Alectra Utilities to be their electricity distributor.

The evidence states that no assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. The evidence also shows that the 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 Alectra Utilities. Hydro One's distribution licence ED-2003-0043 does not need to be amended given the manner in which Schedule 1 of Hydro One's licence is presented.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Alectra Utilities Corporation's electricity distribution licence (ED-2016-0360), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the following:

The Guelph Hydro Rate Zone:

Customer on PT LT 12 CON 1, Division B, Geographic Township of Guelph/Eramosa Designated as PT 1 ON PL 61R20194 Township of Guelph/Eramosa, with the civic address: 5410 Wellington Road, Township of Guelph/Eramosa.

The amended licence is attached to this Decision and Order.

DATED at Toronto February 4, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance