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## **DECISION AND ORDER**

**EB-2021-0083**

**HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.**

**Application for leave to sell distribution assets to ERTH Power  
Corporation**

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

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**April 1, 2021**

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**DECISION AND ORDER**

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on February 12, 2021 under section 86(1)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), for an order granting Hydro One leave to sell distribution system assets to EARTH Power Corporation, a licensed electricity distributor. The assets that are the subject of the proposed transaction are 2 poles, a load break switch and 200 meters of overhead conductor as described in Attachment 1, located directly south of Perth Line 29 and 500 metres east of CR 107, north west of Tavistock, Ontario.

This Decision and Order is being issued by the Delegated Authority, without holding a hearing, pursuant to Section 6(4) of the OEB Act.

Section 86(1)(b) of the Act provides that leave of the OEB is required before a transmitter or a distributor can “sell, lease or otherwise dispose of that part of its transmission or distribution system that is necessary in serving the public.” The assets that are the subject of this transaction are necessary in serving the public.

The sale is for the purposes of avoiding the inefficiency caused by the coordination with Hydro One when operating the load break switch. After completion of the proposed transaction, EARTH Power Corporation will operate the assets for the purpose of supplying electrical load to existing EARTH Power Corporation customers. The applicant stated that the transaction will not adversely affect the safety, reliability, quality of service, operational flexibility or economic efficiency of Hydro One. As well, the applicant stated that there will be no impact on Hydro One’s distribution rates as a result of the assets sale.

This is a cash sale. The parties to the transaction agreed to the sale price of \$3,735.00 plus HST. The sale price equals the value of the assets as per EARTH Power Corporation’s consent letter.

The OEB finds that the proposed transaction is reasonable as it is expected to improve efficiency in operations in supplying electricity to consumers. It is therefore in the public interest to grant Hydro One leave to sell the assets described above to EARTH Power Corporation.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. Hydro One Networks Inc. is granted leave to sell 2 poles, a load break switch and 200 meters of overhead conductor located directly south of Perth Line 29 and 500 metres east of CR 107, north west of Tavistock, Ontario to EARTH Power Corporation.

**DATED** at Toronto April 1, 2021

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Brian Hewson  
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

Attachment 1: Asset List

### Attachment 1: Asset Listing

(South of Perth Line 29 and 500 metres east of CR 107, north west of Tavistock)

Pole Barcode / Asset	Pole Height (ft.) / Conductor Length (m)	Year	Quantity	Residual Value / Sale Price
BR7HRP	50'	1977	1	\$559.00
BR7HSU	45'	1979	1	
Conductor	200m	1977	1	\$73.57
Switch	N/A	1979	1	\$3,100.00
Total of all Assets to be Sold (rounded to nearest \$5)			4	\$3,735.00