

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2021-0230

NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL CANADA

Application for an Electricity Wholesale Licence

BY DELEGATION, BEFORE: Brian Hewson

Vice President Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

September 2, 2021

DECISION AND ORDER

National Research Council Canada (NRCC), filed an application on August 10, 2021, with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) pursuant to section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), for an electricity wholesaler licence.

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

National Research Council Canada (NRCC) is a federal government agency located in Ottawa, Ontario. NRCC is the primary national research and technology organization of the Government of Canada, in science and technology research and development. NRCC has an electricity generation licence authorizing the ownership and operation of a 4 MW generation facility located in Ottawa, Canada.

The applicant has applied for an electricity wholesaler licence because its generation facility at the Montreal Heating Plant M-6 generates power for its own consumption. NRCC has stated that it does not generate electricity for sale or provide ancillary services for sale. To supplement the electricity that the facility generates, NRCC purchases power from the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) - administered markets. The applicant has requested that its electricity generation licence EG-2001-0369, which is set to expire on October 15, 2021 be disposed of upon expiry, as the applicant states it will continue conducting business under the electricity wholesaler licence.

After considering the technical and financial capability of the applicant, the OEB finds that it is in the public interest to grant the application and issue the electricity wholesaler licence to National Research Council Canada.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The application is granted, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence.

DATED at Toronto September 2, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance