

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2021-0289

CENTRE WELLINGTON HYDRO LTD.

Application for a Service Area Amendment

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

January 20, 2022

DECISION AND ORDER

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. (Centre Wellington Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 26, 2021, under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for an amendment to Centre Wellington Hydro's service area as described in Schedule 1 of its distribution licence ED-2002-0498. Schedule 1 of the licence sets out the service area within which Centre Wellington Hydro is authorized to provide electricity distribution services.

Centre Wellington Hydro requested the amendment to include the land described as:

Civic Address:	Legal Description:
6520 County Rd. 7	Lot RP61R6273 -Part 4 Concession 1EOGR-PTBF
Centre Wellington, ON	

The proposed service area amendment is necessary in order that Centre Wellington Hydro may provide electricity distribution services to one commercial customer, Pearle Hospitality, currently located in Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) service territory.

The evidence filed with the application indicates that based on the customer's request for three-phase service, Hydro One would be required to build out its three-phase distribution line, while Centre Wellington Hydro has an existing three-phase distribution system readily available to connect the customer.

It was determined by both distributors that it is more economically efficient to connect the customer to Centre Wellington Hydro distribution system as it represents the lowest cost of connection and avoids duplication of distribution assets in the area. Hydro One has confirmed its support of the application through a consent letter filed as part of the application.

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 Centre Wellington Hydro. 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. Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.'s electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0498, specifically Schedule 1 of the licence is amended to include the following:
 - 6520 County Rd 7, Centre Wellington. Legal description: Lot RP61R6273 -Part 4 Concession 1EOGR-PTBF, in the Township of Centre Wellington.

The amended licence is attached to this Decision and Order.

DATED at Toronto January 20, 2022

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance