

EB-2008-0157

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Parry Sound Power Corporation seeking a decision and order to make changes to its Conservation and Demand Management plan;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Parry Sound Power Corporation under section 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking to dispose of the proceeding without a hearing.

BEFORE: Gordon Kaiser

Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Cathy Spoel Member

DECISION AND ORDER

Parry Sound Power Corporation ("Parry Sound" or the "Applicant") filed an application, dated June 26, 2008 for a decision and order seeking approval for a reallocation of funds and timeline extension to complete third tranche spending of its approved Conservation and Demand Management ("CDM") plan. Parry Sound has also requested, pursuant to subsection 21(4)(b) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act") that the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") dispose of the proceeding without a hearing. The Board assigned file number EB-2008-0157 to this application.

On February 8, 2005, Parry Sound was granted approval of its CDM plan. The total approved budget for Parry Sound's CDM plan is \$180,000.

Parry Sound seeks to reallocate funds from its approved CDM plan (RP-2004-0203/EB-2004-0502) in the amount of \$68,000. One of the conditions of approval requires Parry Sound to apply to the Board for approval if cumulative fund transfers among the programs exceed 20% of the approved budget.

Parry Sound proposes to reallocate \$68,000 across various previously approved programs. Funds to be reallocated include adding \$3,000 to its Customer Survey due to an expanded questionnaire to better capture required information; extracting \$5,000 from its Conservation Website as this initiative is now complete; moving \$11,000 into its Education and Promotion program to allow public education to support reduced energy use through initiatives aimed at outside clothe drying and management of phantom loads; reallocating \$25,000 from its System Optimization program as the initial concept was deemed not feasible at this time; increasing the Technology Give-A-Way Program budget by \$10,000 enabling a wider range of energy saving products to customers highlighting a broader range of opportunities for energy savings; reallocating \$4,000 from its Demand Response Programs to support programming across Parry Sound's CDM portfolio, and; increasing its Low Income Program budget by \$10,000 in order to continue the second phase of low income initiatives.

Parry Sound has also requested an extension to exhaust spending of approved third tranche funds from April 30, 2008 to November 30, 2008.

Parry Sound has requested that the Board dispose of this matter without a hearing pursuant to section 21(4)(b) of the Act. Section 21(4)(b) of the Act states that the Board may dispose of a proceeding without a hearing if the Board determines that "no person, other than the applicant, appellant or licence holder will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding and the applicant, appellant or licence holder has consented to disposing of a proceeding without a hearing."

The Board approves the reallocation of funds and timeline extension as proposed by Parry Sound.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

Parry Sound Power Corporation is granted approval to reallocate funds totaling \$68,000. This total is comprised of reallocating \$5,000 from the Conservation Website,

\$25,000 from the System Optimization Program and \$4,000 from the Demand Response Program which will now be used to fund the Customer Survey in the amount of \$3,000, the Education and Promotion Program in the amount of \$11,000, the Technology Give-A-Way Program in the amount of \$10,000 and the Low Income Programs in the amount of \$10,000.

Parry Sound Power Corporation is granted approval to extend the completion date to exhaust third tranche CDM expenditures from April 30, 2008 to November 30, 2008.

DATED at Toronto, August 25, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary