

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2023-0138

ALECTRA UTILITIES CORPORATION

Application for a Service Area Amendment

BY DELEGATION, BEFORE: Brian Hewson

Vice President

Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

June 20, 2023

DECISION AND ORDER

Alectra Utilities Corporation (Alectra) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on May 3, 2023, under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for an amendment to Alectra's service area as described in Schedule 1 of its distribution licence ED-2016-0360. Schedule 1 of the licence sets out the service areas within which Alectra is authorized to provide electricity distribution services.

Alectra has requested the amendment to include the lands (subject property) described as below:

"PT LTS 3 & 4 BLK 4 CON 1 BINBROOK TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT OVER PT LT 3 BLK 4 CON 1 BINBROOK BEING PTS 3 TO 7 ON 62R18170 AS IN VM173691 SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 3 ON 62R19861 AS IN WE994357 SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 1 ON 62R20058 AS IN WE1035276 CITY OF HAMILTON being all of PIN 17385-2161 (LT)."

The proposed service area amendment will allow Alectra to provide electricity distribution services to the homes constructed by DeSantis DeVelopments Ltd. (developer) on the subject property, currently located in Hydro One Networks Inc.'s (Hydro One) service area.

Alectra's evidence states that it has sufficient capacity, and its connection points are in close proximity to the subject property. Therefore, both distributors, Alectra and Hydro One, agreed to align with the developer's request to be connected to Alectra's distribution system. Hydro One has consented to this service area amendment application through a consent letter filed as part of the application. Furthermore, Alectra has submitted the request from the developer for Alectra to distribute electricity to the subject property.

The evidence states that no assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. Also, the rates of both Alectra and Hydro One will be unaffected and there will not be any 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. 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 Horizon Rate Zone:

 PT LTS 3 & 4 BLK 4 CON 1 BINBROOK TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT OVER PT LT 3 BLK 4 CON 1 BINBROOK BEING PTS 3 TO 7 ON 62R18170 AS IN VM173691 SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 3 ON 62R19861 AS IN WE994357 SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 1 ON 62R20058 AS IN WE1035276 CITY OF HAMILTON being all of PIN 17385-2161 (LT).

The amended licence is attached to this Decision and Order.

DATED at Toronto June 20, 2023

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance