

EB-2022-0178

Entegrus Powerlines Inc.

Application to Amend Schedule 1 of an Electricity Distributor Licence

DECISION AND PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 5 July 18, 2023

Entegrus Powerlines Inc. (Entegrus Powerlines) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 17, 2022, under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), to amend its licensed service area, as described in Schedule 1 of its electricity distributor licence ED-2002-0563, to include the property and industrial customer located at 1 Cosma Court, St. Thomas, ON.

The customer, Formet Industries, a division of Magna International Inc. (Formet Industries) is currently served by Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One). In a letter to the OEB dated April 3, 2023, Hydro One stated that it contests Entegrus Powerlines' application.

On June 30, 2023, Entegrus Powerlines submitted a letter to the OEB that stated that Hydro One's response to Entegrus Powerlines' Interrogatory (IR) #1 to Hydro One contradicted Entegrus Powerlines' response to part (b) of OEB staff's IR #2 to Entegrus Powerlines. Entegrus Powerlines requested that Hydro One update its responses to parts (b), (c) and (d) of Entegrus Powerlines' IR #1 to Hydro One.

On July 7, 2023, Hydro One provided a response to Entegrus Powerlines' June 30, 2023, letter in which it asserted that no update was necessary, for the reasons set out in its July 7, 2023 letter.

On July 7, 2023, the OEB issued a Decision on Confidentiality and Procedural Order No. 4 which allowed Entegrus Powerlines to deliver a reply to Hydro One's July 7, 2023 letter by July 12, 2023.

Entegrus Powerlines delivered its reply on July 12, 2023. Entegrus Powerlines maintained that Hydro One has not provided a complete response to Entegrus Powerlines' IR #1 to Hydro One. Entegrus Powerlines noted that while three unbuilt breaker positions remain at Edgeware TS, Hydro One itself has an active application or request to use some of those breaker positions, and a System Impact Assessment

application with the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). Entegrus Powerlines stated that this application and activity, restrictions or plans related to it are not described in Hydro One's response to IR #1. Entegrus Powerlines requested that Hydro One provide a complete response to Entegrus Powerlines' IR #1, including parts (a)(v), (b), (c) and (d), setting out all requested details in relation to the three unbuilt breaker positions at Edgeware TS.

Findings

The Entegrus Powerlines Request

The OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*¹ require a party receiving interrogatories to provide a full and adequate response to each interrogatory. The OEB finds that Hydro One's responses to those parts of Entegrus Powerlines' IR #1 identified in Entegrus Powerlines' correspondence are not adequate. The OEB approves Entegrus Powerlines' request that Hydro One provide a complete response to Entegrus Powerlines' IR #1, including parts (a)(v), (b), (c) and (d), setting out all requested details in relation to the three unbuilt breaker positions at Edgeware TS. Without limitation, the OEB expects Hydro One to provide responses to the following bulleted items on p.2 of the Entegrus Powerlines July 12, 2023 reply:

- whether any of the capacity is "reserved" (with supporting details);
- whether there are any allocations or restrictions on the unbuilt or inactive breaker positions (with supporting details);
- whether any of the construction activity involves building out or modifying breaker positions (with supporting details); and
- whether any construction of new breaker positions (including M11 and M12) is temporary or permanent, and if temporary, when the breaker position will become available.

Completion of the proceeding:

In Procedural Order No. 2, the OEB provided for written submissions. That process was superseded by Entegrus Powerlines' request for a settlement conference. As no settlement was reached, it is necessary to reestablish a schedule for written submissions. The due dates for those submissions (which will now include a date for an argument-in-chief from Entegrus Powerlines) are set out below.

¹ See Rule 27.01

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Hydro One shall file a complete response to Entegrus Powerlines IR #1, including parts (a)(v), (b), (c) and (d), setting out all requested details in relation to the three unbuilt breaker positions at Edgeware TS and serve it on all parties by **July 21, 2023.**
- 2. Entegrus Powerlines shall file its argument-in-chief with the OEB and serve it on all parties by **August 4, 2023.**
- 3. Any written submissions from Hydro One, Formet Industries and OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **August 18, 2023.**
- 4. Any written reply submission from Entegrus Powerlines shall be filed with the OEB and served on all parties by **September 1, 2023.**

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

Please quote file number, **EB-2022-0178** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online filing portal</u>.

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participants shall download a copy of their submitted cost claim and serve it on all required parties as per the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Tracy Garner at tracy.garner@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at james.sidlofsky@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, July 18, 2023

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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