

EB-2008-0294

**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 Hamilton Hydro Services Inc. for an electricity retailer licence.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

## INTERIM DECISION AND ORDER

Hamilton Hydro Services Inc. filed an application on August 28, 2008 with the Ontario Energy Board under section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an electricity retailer licence. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2008-0294. In a letter to the Board dated September 10, 2008, the applicant requested an interim licence. The applicant also gave consent to the Board to proceed without a hearing with respect to the interim licence request.

The applicant requires an electricity retailer licence to continue to serve its only customer, Hamilton.

Considering the time required to process an application in accordance with the Board's established practice and procedures, and considering the applicant's need for a licence to carry out activities as an electricity retailer to continue providing service to Hamilton, it has been found to be in the public interest to issue an interim order granting the requested electricity retailer licence, pending the final disposition of the matter.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

An electricity retailer licence is granted, on an interim basis, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence. The licence will be valid until December 31, 2008, or until the Special Advisor, Market Operations makes a final decision on the electricity retailer licence application, whichever is earlier.

**DATED** at Toronto, September 24, 2008.

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

Original signed by

Jennifer Lea Special Advisor, Market Operations