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# DECISION AND ORDER

## EB-2024-0081

### WESTARIO POWER INC.

Application for an Electricity Distribution Licence  
Renewal

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

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March 5, 2024

## DECISION AND ORDER

Westario Power Inc. (Westario) filed a complete application on January 31, 2024, with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) pursuant to section 60 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act), for a renewal of its electricity distribution licence ED-2002-0515, which is set to expire on March 17, 2024.

This Decision and Order is being issued by the Delegated Authority pursuant to section 6 of the OEB Act. The Delegated Authority has considered the application without holding a hearing pursuant to section 6(4) of the OEB Act.

Westario filed its application in accordance with the OEB's streamlined process for renewals of existing distribution licences. The streamlined process was developed by the OEB to increase administrative efficiency and to minimize regulatory costs by enabling the OEB to rely on pertinent and currently valid information already reported to the OEB by the applicant. The process also requires an applicant to provide confirmation of specified information regarding its organization and service area. Through its application, Westario provided all of the required information and confirmations. In the application, Westario identified several changes its distribution area as set out in Schedule 1 to reflect certain changes in addresses and to reflect areas that have been missing from Schedule 1 that it has been serving consistently since it was issued a licence.

After considering the information filed by the applicant, the OEB finds that it is in the public interest to grant the application and renew Westario's electricity distribution licence. For purposes of administrative efficiency, the renewal licence is being issued under the same number as that of the expiring licence (ED-2002-0515). This will serve to simplify administration regarding existing rate orders and other forms of regulatory documents, as well as assist in maintaining continuity in the reporting of information by the distributor. The OEB accepts the administrative changes to Schedule 1 of the licence. The OEB has also taken this opportunity to update the licence by removing standard terms and conditions, and by removing exemptions from the licence, that are no longer in force or necessary. The licence is issued with a twenty-year term.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. Westario Power Inc.'s application for the renewal of its electricity distribution licence is granted, on such conditions as are contained in the attached licence.

**DATED** at Toronto March 5, 2024

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Brian Hewson  
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance