

EB-2007-0789

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 Chapleau Public Utilities Corp. seeking a decision and order to make changes to its Conservation and Demand Management plan;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Chapleau Public Utilities Corp. 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

Chapleau Public Utilities Corp. ("Chapleau" or the "Applicant") filed an application, dated September 28, 2007 for a decision and order seeking an extension of spending approved funds in relation to incremental third tranche spending of its approved Conservation and Demand Management ("CDM") plan. Chapleau 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-2007-0789 to this application.

On December 23, 2004, Chapleau was granted approval of its CDM plan (RP-2004-0203/EB-2004-0543). The total approved budget for Chapleau's CDM plan is \$43,807.

Chapleau seeks an extension of the completion date for incremental third tranche CDM expenditures from September 30, 2007 to April 30, 2008 due to resource issues.

Chapleau also seeks to reallocate a total of \$10,000 from its approved Smart Meter Study to its System Improvement program in order to reduce system losses, and help improve system power factors. After conducting an engineering study of the distribution system it was found to be prudent to use these funds in this area instead of dedicating the funds to the Smart Meter Study.

Chapleau has also 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 deadline extension to complete CDM activities to April 30, 2008 and the reallocation of funds to the System Improvement program from the Smart Meter Study as proposed by Chapleau.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Chapleau Public Utilities Corp. is approved to transfer funds totaling \$10,000 from its Smart Meter Study to its System Improvement program.
- 2. Chapleau Public Utilities Corp. is granted an extension to the completion date of third tranche CDM activities to April 30, 2008.

DATED at Toronto, October 31, 2007.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary