

**IN THE MATTER OF
the *Public Utilities Act***

and

**an Application by Yukon Energy Corporation for
an Energy Project Certificate and an
Energy Operation Certificate
regarding the Proposed Whitehorse Diesel
to Liquefied Natural Gas Conversion Project**

BEFORE: B. McLennan, Chair) February 3, 2014
 R. Laking)
 A. Fortin)
 R. Boisvert)

BOARD ORDER 2014-02

WHEREAS:

- A. On December 30, 2013, the Yukon Utilities Board (Board) received a letter and terms of reference from the Yukon Minister of Justice (Minister) directing the Board to carry out a review and prepare a report with recommendations in accordance with the terms of reference respecting Yukon Energy Corporation's (YEC) Whitehorse Diesel to Natural Gas Conversion Project which was designated in OIC 2013/200 as a regulated energy project under Part 3 of the *Public Utilities Act*.
- B. The Minister's terms of reference state that the Board shall hold a public hearing as required in relation to the application submitted to the Minister by YEC on December 9, 2013, under Part 3 of the *Public Utilities Act* for an energy project certificate and an energy operation certificate regarding the project (Application).
- C. The Whitehorse Diesel to Natural Gas Conversion Project is described in the terms of reference as a project to modernize the existing YEC Whitehorse thermal generating station to meet growing requirements for reliable and flexible thermal generation on the Yukon grid, including the replacement of two diesel generating units (9.1 MW total capacity) scheduled for retirement by 2015 with up to three new modular natural gas-fired generating units (13.1 MW total capacity) supplied by liquefied natural gas (LNG), and the installation of LNG truck offloading, storage, vapourization, and related infrastructure. YEC wishes to begin construction of the project during the 2014 construction season.

- D. On January 14, 2014, the Board issued Board Order 2014-01 giving notice of the Application, setting out the process schedule for the Application and giving notice that, subject to the Minister's approval, a public hearing into the Application would be held in Whitehorse, Yukon commencing on March 31, 2014, in accordance with terms set out in the order.
- E. Board Order 2014-01 also requested that parties seeking intervener status must apply and provide to the Board the information set out in the Order by January 31, 2014.
- F. The Board received requests for intervener status from Yukon Electrical Company Limited, the Utilities Consumers' Group, the City of Whitehorse, John Maissan (Leading Edge Projects Inc.) and the Yukon Conservation Society (joint request), and Donald Roberts;
- G. The Board has considered these requests for intervener status; and
- H. The Board also received a motion from the Utilities Consumers' Group for a change in process and the Board has requested comments from YEC and interested parties on the motion.

NOW THEREFORE the Board orders as follows:

1. Intervener status is granted to the following for this proceeding:
 - a) Yukon Electrical Company Limited;
 - b) Utilities Consumers' Group;
 - c) City of Whitehorse;
 - d) John Maissan (Leading Edge Projects Inc.) and Yukon Conservation Society, joint intervention; and
 - e) Donald Roberts.
2. As no ruling has been made on the Utilities Consumers' Group's motion, the proceeding will follow the process schedule as outlined in Board Order 2014-01.

Dated at the City of Whitehorse, Yukon, the 3rd day of February 2014.

BY ORDER



Bruce McLennan
Chair