



Executive Council

O.C. 2065/78

Copy of an Order-in-Council approved  
by Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, dated the  
12th day of July, A.D. 1978.

The Committee of Council have had under  
consideration the report of the Honourable the  
Provincial Secretary for Resources Development,  
wherein he states that,

WHEREAS the Royal Commission on Electric  
Power Planning was appointed pursuant to the Public  
Inquiries Act, 1971, and its terms of reference were  
established by Order-in-Council numbered OC-2005B/75  
dated 17th July, 1975;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 4 of Order-in-Council  
numbered OC-2005B/75 called for the Commission to  
consider and report on certain projects on a priority  
basis;

AND WHEREAS by Order-in-Council numbered  
OC-3489/77 the Royal Commission on Electric Power  
Planning was requested to provide its interim report  
on issues relating to nuclear power in Ontario by  
June 30, 1978;

AND WHEREAS since July, 1975, revisions have  
been made in the projections of electric load growth  
expected to occur in Ontario Hydro's East System before  
1988, and beyond that date to the year 2000;

AND WHEREAS, in part as the result of such  
load growth revisions for the period beyond 1987, it  
is no longer necessary for the Royal Commission to

consider and report on a priority basis on the North Channel generating station;

AND WHEREAS in light of the passage of The Environmental Assessment Act, 1975, which followed the approval of the Royal Commission's terms of reference, the description of specific transmission connections set out in paragraph 4 of the terms of reference is no longer appropriate and should be replaced by an examination of the need for, and the timing of, additional bulk power facilities within broad geographic areas;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to have the Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning review the need for, and the timing of, additional bulk power facilities and to report thereon to the Ministry of Energy, and for the specific nature of additional bulk power facilities which might then be proposed, including their locational and environmental aspects, to be reviewed by the Environmental Assessment Board;

AND WHEREAS the Government further intends to appoint members of the Royal Commission on Electric Power Planning to the Environmental Assessment Board in order to transfer experience in electric power planning matters to that Board;

AND WHEREAS by Order-in-Council numbered OC-1999/78 dated the 5th day of July, 1978, the Committee of Council amended paragraph 4 of the Commission's terms of reference,

AND WHEREAS a paragraph was omitted from Order-in-Council numbered OC-1999/78, rendering it incomplete,

The Honourable the Provincial Secretary for Resources Development recommends that Order-in-Council numbered OC-1999/78 be revoked and that paragraph 4 of Order-in-Council numbered OC-2005B/75 be further amended as follows:

- 4.) A) Having concluded its hearings with respect to paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of its terms of reference;
  - i) For the geographic area of Ontario south of Bruce nuclear power development and west of a line between Essa transformer station and Nanticoke generating station, consider and report to the Minister of Energy on or before May 31, 1979 on load growth in the area up to the end of 1987 and from 1987 to the year 2000, the capability of existing and committed bulk power generation and transmission facilities to supply this load to the area taking into account Government policy with respect to the use of interconnections with neighbouring utilities, and the resulting date at which additional bulk power facilities, if any, will be needed, but excluding consideration of the specific nature of the additional bulk power facilities which may be required and of their locational and environmental aspects; and

ii) For the geographic area of Ontario east of Lennox generating station, consider and report to the Minister of Energy on or before June 30, 1979 on load growth in the area up to the end of 1987 and from 1987 to the year 2000, the capability of existing and committed bulk power generation and transmission facilities to supply this load to the area taking into account Government policy with respect to the use of interconnections with neighbouring utilities, and the resulting date at which additional bulk power facilities, if any, will be needed, but excluding consideration of the specific nature of the additional bulk power facilities which may be required and of their locational and environmental aspects;

B) Provide the Government with its report and recommendations on paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of these terms of reference on or before October 31, 1979.

The Committee of Council concur in the

recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial  
Secretary for Resources Development and advise that  
the same be acted on.

Certified,

  
Deputy Clerk, Executive Council.