

**Ontario Energy
Board**

**Commission de l'énergie
de l'Ontario**



EB-2008-0272

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*,
1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF a review of an application
filed by Hydro One Networks Inc. under section 78 of the
Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, seeking changes to the
uniform provincial transmission rates.

BEFORE: Cynthia Chaplin
Presiding Member

Paul Vlahos
Member

Ken Quesnelle
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

On September 30, 2008, Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 78 of *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the "Act"). The application sought approval for changes to the uniform provincial transmission rates that Hydro One charges for electricity transmission to be effective and implemented on July 1, 2009. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2008-0272.

The Board issued its Decision with Reasons on May 28, 2008. In its decision the Board did not approve four of the Network Capital Projects (labeled in the application as D7, D8, D9 and D10). However, the Board indicated that it would leave this part of the application open to provide Hydro One with the opportunity to file supplemental evidence on the projects. On September 4, 2009 Hydro One filed supplementary evidence.

Intervenors who had been found eligible for costs in the original case and that participated in the examination of the supplementary application were also deemed eligible for costs. The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on December 16, 2009, in which it also set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One.

The Board received cost claims from the Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario ("AMPCO"); the Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME"); Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") and the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"). CME, Energy Probe and SEC filed their claims by the December 31, 2009 due date set by the Board. AMPCO filed its cost claim on January 7, 2010. No comments were received from Hydro One.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and has found that AMPCO, CME, Energy Probe and SEC are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that each party's claims are reasonable and will be reimbursed by Hydro One.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One shall immediately pay:
 - Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario \$6,349.88;
 - Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters \$5,212.73;
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$3,016.06; and
 - School Energy Coalition \$4,509.10.

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, February 4, 2010

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Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary