



EB-2012-0165

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 Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Paula Conboy
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
October 15, 2013

Background

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. ("SLHI") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on February 22, 2013 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that SLHI charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2013.

On April 1, 2013, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On August 22, 2013, the Board issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by SLHI. On September 12, 2013, the Board issued its Final Rate Order.

The Board received a cost claim from VECC. No objections were received from SLHI.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed VECC's cost claim and finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that VECC's cost claim is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by SLHI.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, SLHI shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$10,317.34.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, SLHI shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, October 15, 2013.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary