



Ontario Energy Board
Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2017-0056

KITCHENER-WILMOT HYDRO INC.

**Application for rates and other charges to be effective January 1,
2018**

BEFORE: Lynne Anderson
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

Susan Frank
Member

May 15, 2018

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to a Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. (Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro) proceeding.

Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro filed an application with the OEB on August 14, 2017 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) and under the OEB's Filing Requirements for Incentive Regulation Rate Applications seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2018.

The OEB granted the School Energy Coalition (SEC) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On March 1, 2018, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro.

The OEB received cost claims from SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed by SEC and VECC to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that SEC's and VECC's claims are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

- School Energy Coalition \$4,427.34
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$2,938.90

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

DATED at Toronto May 15, 2018

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary