



**EB-2008-0188**

**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 Hydro  
Ottawa Limited for an order or orders approving or fixing  
just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges,  
to be effective May 1, 2009.

**BEFORE:** Paul Vlahos  
Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle  
Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

### **Background**

Hydro Ottawa Limited ("Hydro Ottawa") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Hydro Ottawa filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2009.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") received intervenor status and was deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on March 16, 2009, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by Hydro Ottawa.

The Board received a cost claim from VECC. No comments were received from Hydro Ottawa.

The Board finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and will be reimbursed by Hydro Ottawa.

**THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Ottawa shall immediately VECC \$3,044.25.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Ottawa shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 7, 2009

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary