## Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2009-0069

**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 Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited for an order or orders approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

**BEFORE:** Paul Vlahos

**Presiding Member** 

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

Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited ("Toronto Hydro") filed an application, dated March 16, 2009, with the Ontario Energy Board (the Board") under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, S.O. 1998*, c.15, Schedule B (the "Act") for approval, amongst other things, of rates that would take effect on May 1, 2009.

The Consumers Council of Canada ("CCC"), the Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers' Coalition ("VECC") received intervenor status and were deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs in this proceeding.

The Board issued its Decision at the conclusion of the oral hearing, on April 3, 2009.

As part of its Notice of Hearing and Procedural Order No.1 issued on March 18, 2009, the Board set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Toronto Hydro.

The Board received cost claims from CCC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Toronto Hydro.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and has found that all parties 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 Toronto Hydro.

## THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Toronto Hydro shall immediately pay:

• CCC \$4,123.35;

• Energy Probe \$2,314.56;

• SEC \$4,087.20; and

• VECC \$3,592.63.

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

DATED at Toronto, June 8, 2009.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary