Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2008-0236

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 Midland Power Utility Corporation for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2009.

BEFORE: Cynthia Chaplin

Presiding Member

Paul Sommerville

Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Midland Power Utility Corporation ("Midland") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board on August 15, 2008, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that it charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2009.

The Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario ("AMPCO"), 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 and Order on the application on May 12, 2009, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Midland. On May 22, 2009, the Board sent a revised schedule for cost claims filing.

AMPCO did not file a cost claim. The Board received cost claims from SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Midland.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and has found that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that SEC's and VECC's claims are reasonable and will be reimbursed by Midland.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

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

• SEC \$ 7,586.45; and

• VECC \$11,754.19.

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

DATED at Toronto, September 2, 2009 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary