



EB-2008-0245

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 Thunder Bay
Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. 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

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Thunder Bay") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board on August 22, 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 Board has assigned the application file number EB-2008-0245.

The Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario ("AMPCO"), Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"), and the

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”) were granted intervenor status and were found to be eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on June 3, 2009, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Thunder Bay.

The Board received cost claims from Energy Probe, the School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”). Energy Probe and VECC filed their claims by the July 3, 2009 due date set by the Board. SEC filed its cost claim on August 17, 2009. AMPCO did not file a cost claim. No objections were received from Thunder Bay.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and has found that Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all claims are reasonable and will be reimbursed by Thunder Bay.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Thunder Bay shall immediately pay:
 - Energy Probe \$14,850.45;
 - SEC \$ 4,459.35; and
 - VECC \$13,276.32.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Thunder Bay 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