

EB-2009-0231

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 Ltd. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2010.

BEFORE: Paul Vlahos

Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Hydro Ottawa Ltd. ("Hydro Ottawa"), a licensed distributor of electricity, 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, 2010. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2009-0231.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on April 1, 2010, in which it set out the process for the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") to file its cost claims, for Hydro Ottawa to object and for VECC to respond to any objections.

On April 8, 2010, the Board received VECC's cost claim. No comments were received from Hydro Ottawa.

The Board has reviewed VECC's cost claim and has found 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 Hydro Ottawa shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Ottawa shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$676.50.
- 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, April 30, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary