



**EB-2009-0259**

**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 Burlington  
Hydro Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and  
reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of  
electricity to be effective May 1, 2010.

**BEFORE:** Cynthia Chaplin  
Presiding Member

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

### **Background**

Burlington Hydro Inc. ("Burlington") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 28, 2009. The application was filed under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Sched. B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that it charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

In Procedural Order No. 1, the Board granted intervenor status to Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"); the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"). Energy Probe, SEC and VECC were deemed eligible for cost awards.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on March 1, 2010, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Burlington.

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

### **Board Findings**

The Board has reviewed Energy Probe's, SEC's and VECC's 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 Energy Probe's, SEC's and VECC's claims are reasonable and Burlington shall reimburse Energy Probe, SEC and VECC for their costs.

### **THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Burlington Hydro Inc. shall immediately pay:
  - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$14,388.69;
  - School Energy Coalition \$14,687.25; and
  - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$13,342.94.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Burlington 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