



**EB-2009-0273**

**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 Orillia Power Distribution Corporation for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

**BEFORE:** Gordon Kaiser  
Vice-Chair and Presiding Member

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

### **Background**

Orillia Power Distribution Corporation ("Orillia Power") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") received on September 16, 2009 under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) (the "Act") seeking approval for changes to the rates that Orillia Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010.

On November 2, 2009, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 granting Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") and the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") intervenor status and granting them eligibility for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on March 5, 2010, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Orillia Power.

The Board received cost claims from VECC and SEC. No objections were received from Orillia Power.

### **Board Findings**

The Board has reviewed VECC's and SEC's 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 the cost claims of VECC and SEC are reasonable and Orillia Power shall reimburse them for their costs.

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

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Orillia Power shall immediately pay:
  - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition           \$ 13,022.64 and
  - School Energy Coalition                                 \$ 7,698.20.
  
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Orillia Power shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 14, 2010

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary