



EB-2009-0260

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 Cambridge
and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. 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

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. ("Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 31, 2009 under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010. The Board assigned the File Number EB-2009-0260 to this application.

On October 23, 2009, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 granting Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status. The Board also determined that the intervenors are each eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on April 20, 2010, in which it also set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro.

The Board received cost claims from the Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro.

The Board reviewed the claims filed by Energy Probe, SEC and VECC, and found that one claim submitted by Energy Probe and one claim submitted SEC were not in accordance with the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*, and has made the following adjustments:

- Energy Probe: \$29.00 reduction in disbursements;
- SEC: \$48.60 reduction in disbursements.

The Board finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding subject to the adjustments referenced above. The Board finds that each party's claims, adjusted as described above, are reasonable and should be reimbursed by Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro shall immediately pay:
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$19,900.68;
 - School Energy Coalition \$ 9,235.00; and
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$14,121.94.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, June 17, 2010.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary