Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2009-0186

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 Hawkesbury Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel

Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Hydro Hawkesbury Inc. ("Hawkesbury") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 5, 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 Hawkesbury charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2009-0186.

On December 18, 2009, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 granting the Vulnerable Energy Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on May 10, 2010, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Hawkesbury.

The Board received one cost claim from VECC. No comments were received from Hawkesbury.

Board Findings

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 Hawkesbury shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hawkesbury shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$11,415.94.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hawkesbury shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, July 9, 2010.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary