



EB-2010-0185

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 Atikokan
Hydro Inc. for an order approving a utility-specific smart
meter funding adder.

BEFORE: Paul Sommerville
Presiding Member

Marika Hare
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Atikokan Hydro Inc. ("Atikokan") filed a distribution rate application with the Ontario Energy Board ("the Board") dated May 6, 2010 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B (the "Act"). Atikokan requested an increase to its utility-specific smart meter funding adder in the amount of \$4.88 per month per metered customer effective July 1, 2010. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2010-0185.

On June 14, 2010, the Board issued its Decision and Procedural Order No. 1 granting the Vulnerable Energy Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision and Rate Order on the application on July 23, 2010, in which it set out the process for VECC, as the only intervenor, to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by Atikokan.

The Board received a cost claim from VECC. No comments were received from Atikokan.

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 Atikokan shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,362.71.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, August 13, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary