



EB-2010-0133

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 Ottawa
Limited for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable
rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to
be effective January 1, 2011.

BEFORE: Marika Hare
Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin
Vice Chair

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Hydro Ottawa Limited ("Hydro Ottawa") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on June 14, 2010 under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, (the "Act") seeking approval for changes to the rates that Hydro Ottawa charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2011. The Board assigned File No. EB-2010-0133 to this application.

On July 29, 2010, the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1 granting Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"), Consumers Council of Canada ("CCC") and School Energy Coalition ("SEC") intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on October 27, 2010, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Hydro Ottawa.

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

Board Findings

The Board reviewed the claims filed by Energy Probe, VECC, CCC and SEC. Due to a calculation error on Form 1, the Board has adjusted Energy Probe's cost claim. Energy Probe's total revised claim is \$18,888.27.

The Board finds the cost claims by Energy Probe, VECC, CCC and SEC to be reasonable and that Hydro Ottawa shall reimburse the costs, as noted below, subject to the adjustment referenced above.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Ottawa shall immediately pay:
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$18,888.27;
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$15,693.90;
 - Consumers Council of Canada \$14,851.59; and
 - School Energy Coalition \$21,031.20.

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Ottawa shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, December 8, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary