



EB-2010-0209

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
PowerStream Inc. for an order or orders approving or
fixing a just and reasonable distribution rates related to
Smart Meter deployment, to be effective November 1,
2010.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin
Chair and Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

PowerStream Inc. (“PowerStream”) filed an application (“the Application”) with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) on June 11, 2010 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking final approval for smart meter related costs to the end of December 31, 2009 and other going forward costs. The Board assigned the Application file number EB-2010-0209.

On July 27, 2010, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 granting Vulnerable Energy Consumers Council (“VECC”) intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the Application on November 19, 2010, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by PowerStream.

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

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 will be reimburse by PowerStream.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, PowerStream shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$4,116.02.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, PowerStream shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, December 23, 2010.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary