



EB-2009-0278

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 Algoma
Power Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable
rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to
be effective July 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member

Marika Hare
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Algoma Power Inc. ("Algoma Power") filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on June 1, 2010, and amended on June 7, 2010, under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, seeking approval for changes to the rates for 2010 and 2011 that Algoma Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective July 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011 respectively. The Board assigned the Application file number EB-2009-0278.

On July 20, 2010, the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the

Energy Probe Research Foundation (“Energy Probe”) and the Garden River First Nation (“Garden River”) intervenor status and cost eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on November 11, 2010, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Algoma Power.

The Board received cost claims from VECC, SEC and Energy Probe. No cost claim was received from Garden River. No comments were received from Algoma Power.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed the claims filed by VECC, SEC and Energy Probe. The Board has made one adjustment to Energy Probe’s cost claim. The Board notes that the total amount on Form 1 filed by Energy Probe does not match with the information filed on its Form 3. The Board has determined that the total amount on Form 3 is \$21,917.65.

The Board finds that VECC and SEC are eligible to recover 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that Energy Probe’s claim, adjusted as described above, is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Algoma Power.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Algoma Power shall immediately pay:
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$20,519.91;
 - School Energy Coalition \$20,592.00; and
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$21,917.65.

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

DATED at Toronto, January 10, 2011.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary