Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2010-0096

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 Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2011.

BEFORE: Karen Taylor

Presiding Member

Paula Conboy Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd. ("Lakeland"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 30, 2010 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Lakeland charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2010-0096.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied and was granted cost award eligibility for participation in the proceeding related to Lakeland's revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on March 17, 2011, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Lakeland.

On March 31, 2011, the Board received VECC's cost claim. No comments were received from Lakeland.

The Board has reviewed VECC's cost claim and finds 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 Lakeland shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Lakeland shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition the sum of \$600.26.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Lakeland shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, April 27, 2011 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary