



EB-2010-0074

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 Chatham-
Kent Hydro Inc. 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

Chatham-Kent Hydro Inc. ("CK Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 17, 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 CK Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011. The Board has assigned the application file number EB-2010-0074.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") were granted cost award eligibility for participation in the proceeding related to CK Hydro's compliance with the terms of the Board approved Settlement Agreement in EB-2009-0261 associated with the adjustments to revenue to cost ratios.

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

On March 31, 2011, the Board received the cost claims from VECC, SEC and Energy Probe. No comments were received from CK Hydro.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims from VECC, SEC and Energy Probe and finds that VECC, SEC and Energy Probe are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that each party's claims are reasonable and both should be reimbursed by CK Hydro.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act*, 1998, CK Hydro shall immediately pay:
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$2,701.93;
 - School Energy Coalition \$5,511.00; and
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$1,054.35.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, CK Hydro shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, April 29, 2011

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary