Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2010-0110 EB-2010-0365

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 just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2011.

BEFORE: Karen Taylor

Presiding Member

Paul Sommerville

Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

PowerStream Inc. ("PowerStream"), is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to customers within two service territories – Barrie ("PowerStream – Barrie") and South ("PowerStream – South"). PowerStream filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") received on October 15, 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 PowerStream charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2010-0110/EB-2010-0365.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") was granted cost award eligibility in this proceeding in relation to PowerStream's request for lost revenue adjustment mechanism and shared savings mechanism recoveries.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on April 7, 2011, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by PowerStream.

On April 11, 2011, the Board received VECC's cost claim. No comments were received from PowerStream.

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 PowerStream shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, PowerStream shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition the sum of \$2,058.01.
- 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**, May 16, 2011.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary