



**EB-2010-0144**

**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 an application  
by Waterloo North Hydro Inc. for an order approving just  
and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity  
distribution to be effective May 1, 2011.

**BEFORE:** Paula Conboy  
Presiding Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

### **Background**

Waterloo North Hydro Inc. ("WN Hydro") filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 27, 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 WN Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011. The Board assigned File Number EB-2010-0144 to the application.

On November 5, 2010, the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1, granting Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"); the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status. The Board also determined that Energy Probe, SEC and VECC were eligible to apply for an award of costs under the Board's *Practice and Direction on Cost Awards*.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on April 27, 2011, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by WN Hydro.

The Board received cost claims from Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No comments were received from WN Hydro.

### **Board Findings**

The Board has reviewed Energy Probe's, SEC's and VECC's cost claims. The Board finds the cost claims by Energy Probe, SEC and VECC to be reasonable and that WN Hydro shall reimburse the costs, as noted below.

### **THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, WN Hydro shall immediately pay:
  - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$16,858.39;
  - School Energy Coalition \$ 8,872.80; and
  - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$18,779.37.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, WN Hydro shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, June 16, 2011

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary