



EB-2011-0164

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 Cooperative
Hydro Embrun Inc. for an order or orders approving or
fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other
charges, to be effective May 1, 2012.

BEFORE: Karen Taylor
Presiding Member

Paula Conboy
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. ("Cooperative Hydro Embrun"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 16, 2011 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 Cooperative Hydro Embrun charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2011-0164.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") was granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to Cooperative Hydro Embrun's request for lost revenue adjustment mechanism recovery.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on March 22, 2012, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Cooperative Hydro Embrun.

VECC's cost claim was received by the Board on April 12, 2012, and is accepted by the Board notwithstanding the late filing. No comments were received from Cooperative Hydro Embrun.

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 Cooperative Hydro Embrun shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Cooperative Hydro Embrun shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition the sum of \$730.18.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Cooperative Hydro Embrun 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, 2012.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary