Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0160

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 Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. 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 May 24, 2012

Background

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. ("Centre Wellington Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 28, 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 Centre Wellington charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2011-0160.

The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") were granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to Centre Wellington Hydro's request for lost revenue adjustment mechanism recovery and incremental capital module proposal.

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

On April 26, 2012, the Board issued a Rate Order.

The Board received the cost claims of SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Centre Wellington Hydro.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims of SEC and VECC and finds that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that SEC's and VECC's claims are reasonable and Centre Wellington Hydro shall reimburse SEC and VECC for their costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Centre Wellington Hydro shall immediately pay:

School Energy Coalition \$3,242.00; and

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$2,507.55.

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Centre Wellington Hydro shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, May 24, 2012.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary