



EB-2011-0178

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 Kingston
Hydro Corporation 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

June 19, 2012

Background

Kingston Hydro Corporation ("Kingston Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 30, 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 Kingston Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2011-0178.

The Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") were granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to Kingston Hydro's proposal for the recovery of incremental capital expenditures and lost revenue adjustment mechanism recovery.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on April 19, 2012, in which it set out the process for Energy Probe, SEC and VECC to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Kingston Hydro.

On May 11, 2012, the Board issued a Rate Order.

Cost claims were submitted by Energy Probe and SEC by the May 18, 2012 deadline specified in the Decision and Order. VECC submitted its cost claim on May 30, 2012. No comments were received from Kingston Hydro.

The Board has reviewed Energy Probe's, SEC's and VECC's cost claims. The Board accepts VECC's cost claim notwithstanding the late filing and finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all claims are reasonable and Kingston Hydro shall reimburse Energy Probe, SEC and VECC for their costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Kingston Hydro shall immediately pay:
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$2,148.64;
 - School Energy Coalition \$5,643.00; and
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$3,100.01.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Kingston 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 19, 2012.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary