Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2011-0169

**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 Greater Sudbury Hydro 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 June 19, 2012

## Background

Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. ("Greater Sudbury"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 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 Greater Sudbury charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2011-0169.

The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") were granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to Greater Sudbury's proposed Smart Grid Funding Adder and request for 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 SEC and VECC to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Greater Sudbury.

On May 3, 2012, the Board issued a Final Rate Order.

SEC's cost claim was received by the Board on May 14, 2012 and VECC's on May 18, 2012 and are accepted by the Board notwithstanding the late filing. No comments were received from Greater Sudbury.

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 both claims are reasonable and Greater Sudbury 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*, Greater Sudbury shall immediately pay:

•	School Energy Coalition				\$2,903.00; and	
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- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,223.89.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Greater Sudbury 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