



EB-2012-0017

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 COLLUS
Power Corp. for an order approving or fixing just and
reasonable distribution rates related to Smart Meter
deployment, to be effective May 1, 2012.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member

Marika Hare
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
August 15, 2012

Background

COLLUS Power Corp. ("COLLUS"), a licensed electricity distributor, filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on January 16, 2012, 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 COLLUS charges for electricity distribution in relation to smart meter deployment, to be effective May 1, 2012. The Board assigned File Number EB-2012-0017 to the Application.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") was granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the Application on June 21, 2012, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by COLLUS.

On July 12, 2012, the Board issued a Rate Order.

VECC's cost claim was received by the Board on July 19, 2012. No comments were received from COLLUS.

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 COLLUS shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, COLLUS shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition the sum of \$2,024.23.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, COLLUS shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, August 15, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary