



EB-2012-0340

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF cost award eligibility for
interested parties in a consultation process on incentive rate
making options for Ontario Power Generation's prescribed
generation assets.

BEFORE: Marika Hare
Presiding Member

Cathy Spoel
Member

DECISION ON COST ELIGIBILITY
August 20, 2012

On July 31, 2012, the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") issued an invitation to interested parties to participate in a stakeholder consultation on options for incentive rate making for setting payments for output from Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) prescribed generation assets. This invitation also notified interested parties that cost awards would be available to eligible parties under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for their participation in this consultation and that any costs awarded would be recovered from Ontario Power Generation.

The Board received requests for cost eligibility from the following participants:

- Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario (AMPCO);
- Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME);
- Consumers Council of Canada (CCC);
- Energy Probe (EP);
- Green Energy Coalition (GEC);

- London Property Management Association (LPMA);
- Retail Council of Canada (RCC);
- School Energy Coalition (SEC); and,
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

The Board's July 31 invitation made provision for the filing of objections by OPG in relation to any of the requests for cost award eligibility. The Board received no objections from OPG.

Based on the criteria set out in section 3 of the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* (the "Practice Direction"), the Board has determined that all the applicants are eligible for an award of costs in this consultation. These applicants are: AMPCO; CME; CCC; EP; GEC; LPMA; RCC; SEC; and, VECC.

The Board expects that parties with similar interest that are eligible for cost awards will co-operate with each other and any lack of cooperation will be considered by the Board when determining the amount of a cost award.

ISSUED at Toronto, August 20, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Marika Hare
Presiding Member

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Cathy Spoel
Member