Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0135

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 Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective January 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Marika Hare

Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS January 22, 2013

Background

Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc. ("HOBNI"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 3, 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 HOBNI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2013. The Board assigned File Number EB-2012-0135 to the application.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") was granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to HOBNI's request for lost revenue adjustment mechanism recovery and its incremental capital module.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on December 6, 2012, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by HOBNI.

On December 14, 2012, the Board issued a Revised Rate Order.

VECC's cost claim was received by the Board on December 20, 2012. No comments were received from HOBNI.

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 HOBNI shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, HOBNI shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,405.79.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, HOBNI shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, January 22, 2013. **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary