

EB-2012-0157

**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 Oshawa PUC 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

Oshawa PUC Networks Inc. ("Oshawa"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on July 27, 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 Oshawa charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2013. The Board assigned File Number EB-2012-0157 to the application.

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

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 Oshawa.

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

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 Oshawa shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

## THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Oshawa shall immediately pay Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,010.82.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Oshawa 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