Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0342

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 Natural Resource Gas Limited for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas effective October 1, 2012.

BEFORE: Christine Long

Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS May 7, 2013

Background

Natural Resource Gas ("NRG") filed an Application on August 7, 2012 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 36 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. c.15, Sched. B, as amended, for an order of the Board approving or fixing rates for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas, effective October 1, 2012. The Board assigned File Number EB-2012-0342 to the application.

On October 12, 2012, the Board issued its Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 7, 2013, the Board issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by NRG. On March 21, 2013, the Board received VECC's cost claim. No comments were received from NRG.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed VECC's cost claim. The Board finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that VECC's cost claim is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by NRG.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, NRG shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$3,773.02.

Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, NRG shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, May 7, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary