Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0124

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 Festival Hydro Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Marika Hare Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS May 28, 2013

Background

Festival Hydro Inc. ("Festival Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 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 Festival Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2012-0124.

The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") were granted intervenor status and cost award eligibility in regards to Festival Hydro's request for an incremental capital module and revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on the application on April 4, 2013, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Festival Hydro.

On April 18, 2013, the Board issued its Revised Rate Order.

The Board received cost claims from SEC and VECC. No comments were received from Festival Hydro.

The Board has reviewed both cost claims and finds that SEC and VECC are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that both cost claims are reasonable and Festival Hydro shall reimburse SEC and VECC for their costs.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro shall immediately pay:

•	School Energy Coalition	\$1,598.00; and
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- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$2,245.10.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, May 28, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary