



EB-2013-0122

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 Cooperative
Hydro Embrun Inc. for an order approving just and
reasonable rates and other charges, to be effective
January 1, 2014.

BEFORE: Paula Conboy
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
March 11, 2014

Background

Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. ("CHEI") filed a complete application with the Ontario Energy Board ("Board") on June 14, 2013 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that CHEI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2014.

On September 4, 2013, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On December 23, 2013, the Board issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for CHEI to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by CHEI.

On January 31, 2014, the Board issued its Rate Order.

The Board received a cost claim from VECC. No objections were received from CHEI.

Board Findings

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 shall be reimbursed by CHEI.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, CHEI shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$13,260.15.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, CHEI shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, March 11, 2014.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary