## Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2013-0348

**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 EnWin Utilities Ltd. for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates related to Smart Meter deployment, to be effective May 1, 2014.

**BEFORE:** Marika Hare

**Presiding Member** 

Ken Quesnelle Member

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS May 9, 2014

#### Background

EnWin Utilities Ltd. ("EnWin") filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), on September 11, 2013, 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 EnWin charges for electricity distribution in relation to smart meter deployment, to be effective May 1, 2014.

On December 12, 2013, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") intervenor status and cost award eligibility in relation to EnWin's request for smart meter cost recovery.

On March 13, 2014, the Board issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim, for EnWin to object to the claim and for VECC to respond to any objections raised by EnWin.

The Board received VECC's cost claim. No objection was received from EnWin.

### **Board Findings**

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

#### THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, EnWin shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,857.87.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, EnWin shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, May 9, 2014

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary