Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0155

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 Kitchener Wilmot Hydro Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates effective January 1, 2014;

AND IN THE MATTER OF a Motion to Review and Vary by School Energy Coalition pursuant to the Ontario Energy Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* for a review of the Board's Decision and Order in proceeding EB-2013-0147.

BEFORE: Christine Long

Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle

Member

Allison Duff Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS September 18, 2014

Background

On April 3, 2014, the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") filed a Motion for a Request to Review and Vary (the "Motion") the Board's Decision and Order dated March 20, 2014 in EB-2013-0147 in respect of Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.'s ("Kitchener-Wilmot's") cost of service application for rates to be effective January 1, 2014.

On July 31, 2014, the Board issued its Decision and Order on the Motion (the "Decision") and determined that Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), SEC and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") were entitled to their reasonable costs incurred for participation in the hearing of the Motion. The Decision also set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Kitchener-Wilmot to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Kitchener-Wilmot.

The Board received cost claims from Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Kitchener-Wilmot.

Board Findings

The Board has reviewed the cost claims of Energy Probe, SEC and VECC and finds that the parties are eligible for 100% of the incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all the claims are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Kitchener-Wilmot.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Kitchener-Wilmot shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

Energy Probe Research Foundation \$1,298.24;
 School Energy Coalition \$8,613.99; and
 Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,385.26.

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

DATED at Toronto, September 18, 2014

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary