



**EB-2014-0113**

**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 St. Thomas  
Energy Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable  
rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be  
effective January 1, 2015.

**BEFORE:** Ellen Fry  
Presiding Member

Allison Duff  
Member

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**  
**January 20, 2015**

**Background**

St. Thomas Energy Inc. (St. Thomas Energy) filed a complete application with the Ontario Energy Board (the Board) on June 26, 2014 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 St. Thomas Energy charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2015.

On August 6, 2014, the Board issued its Procedural Order #1 granting Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) and School Energy Coalition (SEC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on November 27, 2014 in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by St. Thomas Energy.

The Board received cost claims from Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. St. Thomas Energy had no objections to the cost claims.

The Board has reviewed the cost claims and finds that Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that all claims are reasonable and St. Thomas Energy shall reimburse for their costs.

**THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

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

- Energy Probe Research Foundation \$18,227.87;
- School Energy Coalition \$9,605.00; and
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$13,740.87.

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

**DATED** at Toronto, January 20, 2015.

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary