



**EB-2007-0704**

**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 Hydro 2000  
Inc., pursuant to section 78, of the Ontario Energy Board  
Act, 1998, c. 15 (Schedule B) seeking approval to amend  
electricity rates.

**BEFORE:** Paul Vlahos  
Presiding Member

Bill Rupert  
Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

### **Background**

On September 13, 2007, Hydro 2000 Inc. ("Hydro 2000") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2008.

The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") received intervenor status and were deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on March 14, 2008, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Hydro 2000.

Only VECC filed a cost claim. No comments were received from Hydro 2000.

The Board finds that VECC's cost claim is reasonable and that VECC shall be reimbursed 100% of its incurred costs.

**THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:**

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, Hydro 2000 shall immediately pay VECC its claimed cost of \$5,196.75.

**DATED** at Toronto, June 2, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary