



EB-2014-0252

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 Burlington Hydro Inc. for an order, approving the recovery of certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in the City of Burlington due to an ice storm in December 2013.

BEFORE: Christine Long
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS
March 5, 2015

Background

Burlington Hydro Inc. (Burlington Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on July 31, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for the recovery of certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in the City of Burlington due to an ice storm in December 2013.

On September 5, 2014, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On January 29, 2015, the OEB issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Burlington Hydro to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Burlington Hydro.

On February 10, 2015, the OEB issued its Final Rate Order.

The OEB received cost claims from Energy Probe and VECC. Burlington Hydro did not file an objection.

Board Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims of Energy Probe and VECC and finds that the parties that have filed cost claims are eligible for 100% of the incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that both claims are reasonable and both claims shall be reimbursed by Burlington Hydro.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Burlington Hydro shall immediately pay the following amounts to the specified intervenors for their costs:
 - Energy Probe Research Foundation \$2,320.10; and
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,972.26.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Burlington Hydro shall pay the OEB's direct and incidental costs for this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, March 5, 2015
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary