Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0311

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 One Networks Inc. for an accounting order to establish a deferral account to be effective October 1, 2014.

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle Presiding Member

> Marika Hare Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS June 24, 2015

Background

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an accounting order application with the Ontario Energy Board, (OEB) on October 3, 2014 under section 78.1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. *1998*, c. 15 (Schedule B). The application sought approval to establish a deferral account for the purpose of recording expenses relating to the North West Bulk Transmission Line Project.

On January 15, 2015, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1, granting the Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario (AMPCO), Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters (CME), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On March 27, 2015, the OEB issued its Decision and Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Hydro One to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, CME, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Hydro One.

Findings

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

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

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

 Association of Major Power Consumers of Ontario 	\$2,793.93
 Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters 	\$4,107.83
Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$3,413.33
School Energy Coalition	\$2,074.68
Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$2,026.83

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

DATED at Toronto, June 24, 2015

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary