



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2013-0421

HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.

**Leave to construct a new transmission line and facilities in the
Windsor-Essex Region, Ontario**

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Christine Long
Member

Cathy Spoel
Member

December 10, 2015

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed an application on January 22, 2014 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 92 of the Act for an order granting leave to construct approximately 13 km of new 230 kV transmission lines on steel lattice towers on a new right of way in the Windsor-Essex area and for the installation of optic ground wire on existing and new towers as part of the Supply to Essex County Transmission Reinforcement (SECTR) Project.

The OEB granted the following parties intervenor status and cost award eligibility:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)
- Consumers Council of Canada (CCC)
- E3 Coalition (made up of E.L.K. Energy Inc., Entegrus Powerlines Inc. and Essex Powerlines Corporation)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- London Property Management Association (LPMA)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)
- Wataynikaneyap Power Corporation

In the Notice of New Cost Allocation Issue and Procedural Order No. 3 (Notice) dated January 28, 2015, subsequently amended on January 30, 2015, the OEB determined that cost awards would be available to eligible persons under section 30 of the Act. The costs to be awarded in Phase 2 would be recovered from all licensed rate-regulated electricity transmitters and all licensed rate-regulated distributors based on their respective transmission or distribution revenues. In Procedural Order No. 8 and Accounting Order, dated August 28, 2015, the OEB stated that it will use the process set out in section 12 of its *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* to implement the payment of the cost awards and the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards in this process.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, BOMA, CME, CCC, E3 Coalition, Energy Probe, LPMA and SEC. No objections were received. No cost claim was filed by Wataynikaneyap Power Corporation.

OEB Findings

The OEB finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The claim of AMPCO requires a minor reduction to comply with the government's *Travel, Meal and Hospitality Expenses Directive*. The OEB finds that the claims of BOMA, CME, CCC, E3 Coalition, Energy Probe, LPMA and SEC and the adjusted claim of AMPCO are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by all licensed rate-regulated electricity transmitters and all licensed rate-regulated distributors.

The amount payable by each individual rate-regulated licensed distributor in relation to costs awarded to each eligible participant is listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order.

Process for Paying the Cost Awards

The amount payable by each distributor in relation to costs awarded to each eligible participant is listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order. However, the amounts will not be paid directly by the distributor to the participant.

The OEB will use the process set out in section 12 of the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* to implement the payment of the cost awards. Therefore, the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards relating to this consultation process. Invoices will be issued to distributors at the same time as the invoices for cost assessments are made under section 26 of the OEB Act. The practice of the OEB is to issue to each licensed distributor one invoice that covers all cost awards payable by the distributor for the relevant period. As a result, the invoice may cover cost awards payable in relation to a number of consultations, including this one.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Each distributor listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order shall pay the amounts set out in Schedule A in relation to the costs awarded to each eligible participant.
2. Each distributor listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this consultation.

3. The payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be made to the OEB in accordance with the invoice issued to each distributor, and shall be due at the same time as cost assessments under section 26 of the OEB Act are due.

DATED at Toronto December 10, 2015

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Schedule A

OEB's Decision and Order on Cost Awards

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Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	AMPCO	BOMA	CME	CCC	E3 Coalition	EPRF	LPMA	SEC	TOTAL
Algoma Power Inc.	\$ 24.12	\$ 47.85	\$ 112.63	\$ 77.24	\$ 313.59	\$ 77.81	\$ 20.09	\$ 34.49	\$ 707.82
Atikokan Hydro Inc.	\$ 1.55	\$ 3.08	\$ 7.24	\$ 4.97	\$ 20.16	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.29	\$ 2.22	\$ 45.50
Attawapiskat Power Corp.	\$ 1.19	\$ 2.35	\$ 5.54	\$ 3.80	\$ 15.42	\$ 3.83	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.70	\$ 34.80
Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 23.09	\$ 45.80	\$ 107.81	\$ 73.94	\$ 300.16	\$ 74.48	\$ 19.23	\$ 33.01	\$ 677.52
Brant County Power Inc.	\$ 7.10	\$ 14.09	\$ 33.16	\$ 22.74	\$ 92.33	\$ 22.91	\$ 5.91	\$ 10.15	\$ 208.40
Brantford Power Inc.	\$ 17.29	\$ 34.29	\$ 80.72	\$ 55.36	\$ 224.73	\$ 55.76	\$ 14.39	\$ 24.72	\$ 507.25
Burlington Hydro Inc.	\$ 35.64	\$ 70.71	\$ 166.43	\$ 114.14	\$ 463.36	\$ 114.97	\$ 29.68	\$ 50.96	\$ 1,045.89
Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.	\$ 30.24	\$ 59.98	\$ 141.19	\$ 96.83	\$ 393.10	\$ 97.54	\$ 25.18	\$ 43.24	\$ 887.30
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$ 21.20	\$ 42.05	\$ 98.98	\$ 67.88	\$ 275.57	\$ 68.37	\$ 17.65	\$ 30.31	\$ 622.00
Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.	\$ 3.91	\$ 7.75	\$ 18.25	\$ 12.51	\$ 50.80	\$ 12.60	\$ 3.25	\$ 5.59	\$ 114.66
Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation	\$ 0.98	\$ 1.95	\$ 4.59	\$ 3.15	\$ 12.77	\$ 3.17	\$ 0.82	\$ 1.40	\$ 28.83
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$ 21.50	\$ 42.64	\$ 100.37	\$ 68.83	\$ 279.44	\$ 69.33	\$ 17.90	\$ 30.73	\$ 630.74
Collus PowerStream Corp.	\$ 7.05	\$ 13.99	\$ 32.94	\$ 22.59	\$ 91.71	\$ 22.75	\$ 5.87	\$ 10.09	\$ 207.00
Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.	\$ 0.97	\$ 1.93	\$ 4.54	\$ 3.11	\$ 12.65	\$ 3.14	\$ 0.81	\$ 1.39	\$ 28.54
Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company Ltd.	\$ 14.01	\$ 27.80	\$ 65.44	\$ 44.88	\$ 182.19	\$ 45.21	\$ 11.67	\$ 20.04	\$ 411.24
E.L.K. Energy Inc.	\$ 4.21	\$ 8.35	\$ 19.65	\$ 13.48	\$ 54.71	\$ 13.57	\$ 3.50	\$ 6.02	\$ 123.49
Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc.	\$ 133.13	\$ 264.08	\$ 621.60	\$ 426.30	\$ 1,730.64	\$ 429.40	\$ 110.85	\$ 190.35	\$ 3,906.34
Enwin Utilities Ltd.	\$ 56.19	\$ 111.45	\$ 262.34	\$ 179.92	\$ 730.40	\$ 181.23	\$ 46.78	\$ 80.33	\$ 1,648.65
Erie Thames Powerlines Corporation	\$ 12.09	\$ 23.98	\$ 56.46	\$ 38.72	\$ 157.18	\$ 39.00	\$ 10.07	\$ 17.29	\$ 354.79
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	\$ 2.24	\$ 4.44	\$ 10.45	\$ 7.17	\$ 29.09	\$ 7.22	\$ 1.86	\$ 3.20	\$ 65.66
Essex Powerlines Corporation	\$ 12.86	\$ 25.51	\$ 60.05	\$ 41.18	\$ 167.18	\$ 41.48	\$ 10.71	\$ 18.39	\$ 377.35
Festival Hydro Inc.	\$ 12.53	\$ 24.86	\$ 58.52	\$ 40.13	\$ 162.93	\$ 40.43	\$ 10.44	\$ 17.92	\$ 367.76
Fort Albany Power Corporation	\$ 0.83	\$ 1.65	\$ 3.88	\$ 2.66	\$ 10.82	\$ 2.68	\$ 0.69	\$ 1.19	\$ 24.41
Fort Frances Power Corporation	\$ 2.15	\$ 4.26	\$ 10.03	\$ 6.88	\$ 27.93	\$ 6.93	\$ 1.79	\$ 3.07	\$ 63.04
Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.	\$ 29.76	\$ 59.03	\$ 138.95	\$ 95.29	\$ 386.85	\$ 95.99	\$ 24.78	\$ 42.55	\$ 873.20

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	AMPCO	BOMA	CME	CCC	E3 Coalition	EPRF	LPMA	SEC	TOTAL
Grimsby Power Incorporated	\$ 4.83	\$ 9.58	\$ 22.56	\$ 15.47	\$ 62.81	\$ 15.58	\$ 4.02	\$ 6.91	\$ 141.77
Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc.	\$ 30.18	\$ 59.86	\$ 140.90	\$ 96.64	\$ 392.30	\$ 97.34	\$ 25.13	\$ 43.15	\$ 885.50
Haldimand County Hydro Inc.	\$ 16.59	\$ 32.90	\$ 77.44	\$ 53.11	\$ 215.62	\$ 53.50	\$ 13.81	\$ 23.71	\$ 486.68
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$ 10.64	\$ 21.11	\$ 49.70	\$ 34.09	\$ 138.37	\$ 34.33	\$ 8.86	\$ 15.22	\$ 312.34
Horizon Utilities Corporation	\$ 119.67	\$ 237.39	\$ 558.76	\$ 383.21	\$ 1,555.70	\$ 386.00	\$ 99.64	\$ 171.10	\$ 3,511.47
Hydro Hawkesbury Inc.	\$ 1.75	\$ 3.47	\$ 8.17	\$ 5.60	\$ 22.75	\$ 5.65	\$ 1.46	\$ 2.50	\$ 51.36
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$ 1.29	\$ 2.55	\$ 6.01	\$ 4.12	\$ 16.73	\$ 4.15	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.84	\$ 37.77
Hydro 2000 Inc.	\$ 0.57	\$ 1.14	\$ 2.68	\$ 1.84	\$ 7.45	\$ 1.85	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.82	\$ 16.82
Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc.	\$ 75.81	\$ 150.39	\$ 353.98	\$ 242.77	\$ 985.55	\$ 244.53	\$ 63.13	\$ 108.40	\$ 2,224.55
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$ 1,446.86	\$ 2,870.12	\$ 6,755.74	\$ 4,633.21	\$ 18,809.20	\$ 4,666.92	\$ 1,204.74	\$ 2,068.75	\$ 42,455.54
Hydro One Remote Communities Incorporated	\$ 26.77	\$ 53.09	\$ 124.97	\$ 85.71	\$ 347.95	\$ 86.33	\$ 22.29	\$ 38.27	\$ 785.37
Hydro Ottawa Limited	\$ 173.47	\$ 344.11	\$ 809.97	\$ 555.49	\$ 2,255.09	\$ 559.53	\$ 144.44	\$ 248.03	\$ 5,090.12
Innpower Corporation	\$ 8.70	\$ 17.25	\$ 40.61	\$ 27.85	\$ 113.07	\$ 28.05	\$ 7.24	\$ 12.44	\$ 255.21
Kashechewan Power Corporation	\$ 1.12	\$ 2.23	\$ 5.25	\$ 3.60	\$ 14.62	\$ 3.63	\$ 0.94	\$ 1.61	\$ 32.99
Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd.	\$ 3.28	\$ 6.51	\$ 15.32	\$ 10.51	\$ 42.66	\$ 10.59	\$ 2.73	\$ 4.69	\$ 96.30
Kingston Hydro Corporation	\$ 14.81	\$ 29.37	\$ 69.14	\$ 47.42	\$ 192.50	\$ 47.76	\$ 12.33	\$ 21.17	\$ 434.51
Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.	\$ 45.36	\$ 89.99	\$ 211.82	\$ 145.27	\$ 589.74	\$ 146.33	\$ 37.77	\$ 64.86	\$ 1,331.14
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	\$ 5.20	\$ 10.32	\$ 24.29	\$ 16.66	\$ 67.64	\$ 16.78	\$ 4.33	\$ 7.44	\$ 152.66
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 9.41	\$ 18.67	\$ 43.94	\$ 30.13	\$ 122.34	\$ 30.35	\$ 7.84	\$ 13.46	\$ 276.13
London Hydro Inc.	\$ 73.31	\$ 145.43	\$ 342.31	\$ 234.77	\$ 953.06	\$ 236.47	\$ 61.04	\$ 104.82	\$ 2,151.23
Midland Power Utility Corporation	\$ 4.10	\$ 8.14	\$ 19.16	\$ 13.14	\$ 53.35	\$ 13.24	\$ 3.42	\$ 5.87	\$ 120.42
Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.	\$ 17.16	\$ 34.04	\$ 80.13	\$ 54.95	\$ 223.08	\$ 55.35	\$ 14.29	\$ 24.54	\$ 503.54
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 17.64	\$ 35.00	\$ 82.38	\$ 56.50	\$ 229.36	\$ 56.91	\$ 14.69	\$ 25.23	\$ 517.69
Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.	\$ 32.06	\$ 63.59	\$ 149.69	\$ 102.66	\$ 416.76	\$ 103.41	\$ 26.69	\$ 45.84	\$ 940.70
Niagara-on-the-lake Hydro Inc.	\$ 5.86	\$ 11.63	\$ 27.36	\$ 18.77	\$ 76.19	\$ 18.90	\$ 4.88	\$ 8.38	\$ 171.97
Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.	\$ 13.41	\$ 26.61	\$ 62.63	\$ 42.96	\$ 174.38	\$ 43.27	\$ 11.17	\$ 19.18	\$ 393.61
North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited	\$ 13.47	\$ 26.71	\$ 62.88	\$ 43.12	\$ 175.06	\$ 43.43	\$ 11.21	\$ 19.25	\$ 395.13
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$ 4.33	\$ 8.59	\$ 20.23	\$ 13.87	\$ 56.32	\$ 13.98	\$ 3.61	\$ 6.19	\$ 127.13
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 40.08	\$ 79.51	\$ 187.16	\$ 128.36	\$ 521.08	\$ 129.29	\$ 33.38	\$ 57.31	\$ 1,176.16
Orangeville Hydro Limited	\$ 6.33	\$ 12.56	\$ 29.57	\$ 20.28	\$ 82.33	\$ 20.43	\$ 5.27	\$ 9.06	\$ 185.83
Orillia Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 9.16	\$ 18.18	\$ 42.79	\$ 29.35	\$ 119.14	\$ 29.56	\$ 7.63	\$ 13.10	\$ 268.92

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	AMPCO	BOMA	CME	CCC	E3 Coalition	EPRF	LPMA	SEC	TOTAL
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$ 21.44	\$ 42.53	\$ 100.10	\$ 68.65	\$ 278.69	\$ 69.15	\$ 17.85	\$ 30.65	\$ 629.05
Ottawa River Power Corporation	\$ 4.61	\$ 9.15	\$ 21.54	\$ 14.77	\$ 59.97	\$ 14.88	\$ 3.84	\$ 6.60	\$ 135.36
Peterborough Distribution Incorporated	\$ 17.84	\$ 35.38	\$ 83.28	\$ 57.11	\$ 231.86	\$ 57.53	\$ 14.85	\$ 25.50	\$ 523.36
Powerstream Inc.	\$ 184.80	\$ 366.58	\$ 862.86	\$ 591.77	\$ 2,402.36	\$ 596.07	\$ 153.87	\$ 264.23	\$ 5,422.54
PUC Distribution Inc.	\$ 21.92	\$ 43.49	\$ 102.36	\$ 70.20	\$ 284.99	\$ 70.71	\$ 18.25	\$ 31.34	\$ 643.26
Renfrew Hydro Inc.	\$ 2.12	\$ 4.20	\$ 9.88	\$ 6.77	\$ 27.50	\$ 6.82	\$ 1.76	\$ 3.02	\$ 62.07
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$ 3.01	\$ 5.97	\$ 14.06	\$ 9.65	\$ 39.16	\$ 9.72	\$ 2.51	\$ 4.31	\$ 88.38
St. Thomas Energy Inc.	\$ 7.90	\$ 15.68	\$ 36.90	\$ 25.31	\$ 102.75	\$ 25.49	\$ 6.58	\$ 11.30	\$ 231.91
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.	\$ 2.25	\$ 4.45	\$ 10.48	\$ 7.19	\$ 29.19	\$ 7.24	\$ 1.87	\$ 3.21	\$ 65.88
Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 21.44	\$ 42.54	\$ 100.12	\$ 68.67	\$ 278.76	\$ 69.17	\$ 17.85	\$ 30.66	\$ 629.21
Tillsonburg Hydro Inc.	\$ 4.34	\$ 8.60	\$ 20.25	\$ 13.89	\$ 56.37	\$ 13.99	\$ 3.61	\$ 6.20	\$ 127.24
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$ 621.42	\$ 1,232.70	\$ 2,901.55	\$ 1,989.94	\$ 8,078.45	\$ 2,004.42	\$ 517.43	\$ 888.52	\$ 18,234.43
Veridian Connections Inc.	\$ 56.76	\$ 112.59	\$ 265.02	\$ 181.76	\$ 737.87	\$ 183.08	\$ 47.26	\$ 81.16	\$ 1,665.50
Wasaga Distribution Inc.	\$ 4.03	\$ 7.99	\$ 18.80	\$ 12.90	\$ 52.36	\$ 12.99	\$ 3.35	\$ 5.76	\$ 118.17
Waterloo North Hydro Inc.	\$ 36.42	\$ 72.25	\$ 170.07	\$ 116.63	\$ 473.49	\$ 117.48	\$ 30.33	\$ 52.08	\$ 1,068.75
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$ 10.11	\$ 20.05	\$ 47.20	\$ 32.37	\$ 131.40	\$ 32.60	\$ 8.42	\$ 14.45	\$ 296.59
Wellington North Power Inc.	\$ 2.78	\$ 5.52	\$ 12.99	\$ 8.91	\$ 36.17	\$ 8.98	\$ 2.32	\$ 3.98	\$ 81.65
West Coast Huron Energy Inc.	\$ 2.98	\$ 5.91	\$ 13.91	\$ 9.54	\$ 38.72	\$ 9.61	\$ 2.48	\$ 4.26	\$ 87.39
Westario Power Inc.	\$ 11.85	\$ 23.50	\$ 55.33	\$ 37.94	\$ 154.04	\$ 38.22	\$ 9.87	\$ 16.94	\$ 347.69
Whitby Hydro Electric Corporation	\$ 26.15	\$ 51.88	\$ 122.12	\$ 83.75	\$ 340.00	\$ 84.36	\$ 21.78	\$ 37.40	\$ 767.43
Woodstock Hydro Services Inc.	\$ 9.84	\$ 19.52	\$ 45.94	\$ 31.51	\$ 127.90	\$ 31.73	\$ 8.19	\$ 14.07	\$ 288.69
ED TOTAL	\$ 3,783.07	\$ 7,504.43	\$ 17,664.03	\$ 12,114.33	\$ 49,179.89	\$ 12,202.47	\$ 3,150.01	\$ 5,409.10	\$ 111,007.33

Electricity Transmission System Owner/Operator	AMPCO	BOMA	CME	CCC	E3 Coalition	EPRF	LPMA	SEC	TOTAL
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$ 2.41	\$ 4.78	\$ 11.26	\$ 7.72	\$ 31.35	\$ 7.78	\$ 2.01	\$ 3.45	\$ 70.77
Five Nations Energy Inc.	\$ 3.33	\$ 6.60	\$ 15.54	\$ 10.65	\$ 43.26	\$ 10.73	\$ 2.77	\$ 4.76	\$ 97.63
Great Lakes Power Ltd.	\$ 19.69	\$ 39.06	\$ 91.94	\$ 63.05	\$ 255.98	\$ 63.51	\$ 16.40	\$ 28.15	\$ 577.79
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$ 759.50	\$ 1,506.60	\$ 3,546.26	\$ 2,432.09	\$ 9,873.42	\$ 2,449.78	\$ 632.40	\$ 1,085.94	\$ 22,285.99
ET TOTAL	\$ 784.93	\$ 1,557.04	\$ 3,665.00	\$ 2,513.52	\$ 10,204.01	\$ 2,531.81	\$ 653.57	\$ 1,122.30	\$ 23,032.18

TOTAL	\$4,568.00	\$9,061.47	\$21,329.03	\$14,627.85	\$59,383.90	\$14,734.28	\$3,803.58	\$6,531.40	\$134,039.51
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