



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

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2010-0249/EB-2014-0189

**Electricity Distribution System Reliability Measures and
Expectations**

BEFORE: **Cathy Spoel**
Presiding Member

Christine Long
Member

December 11, 2015

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

On September 18, 2013, the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB) announced the launch of an initiative to establish performance standards for the OEB's existing system reliability measures and to develop and implement new customer specific reliability measures.

On October 2, 2013, the OEB issued its Decision on Cost Eligibility and granted the following parties intervenor status and cost award eligibility for the EB-2010-0249 proceeding:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

(collectively, the "EB-2010-0249 Eligible Participants").

In that Decision, the OEB stated that cost awards would be available under section 30 on the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the Act) to the EB-2010-0249 Eligible Participants, for the preparation for and attendance at the System Reliability Working Group (SRWG) meetings up to a maximum of 50 hours. The Decision also stated that cost awarded would be recovered from all licensed electricity distributors based on their respective distribution revenues.

The EB-2010-0249 initiative resulted in amendments to the OEB Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements to improve system reliability definitions and introduce new measuring practices. On July 15, 2014, the OEB announced the next step in its system reliability initiative with the development of specific performance targets (EB-2014-0189).

On August 19, 2014, the OEB issued a Decision on Cost Eligibility and granted the following parties intervenor status and cost award eligibility for the EB-2014-0189 proceeding:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME)
- London Property Management Association (LPMA)
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

(collectively, the "EB-2014-0189 Eligible Participants").

In that Decision, the OEB stated that cost awards would be available under section 30 on the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the Act) to the provision of comments on the

Discussion Paper to a maximum of 14 hours. The Decision also stated that cost awarded would be recovered from all licensed electricity distributors based on their respective distribution revenues.

On August 25, 2015, the OEB issued the Report of the Board – Electricity Distribution System Reliability Measures and Expectations, which sets out the direction that will be taken by the OEB to establish distribution system reliability performance measures and objectives.

On September 3, 2015, the OEB issued its Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards and determined that cost awards would be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the Act) in relation to:

- Participation in the SRWG meetings (EB-2010-0249); and
- The provision of comments on the Discussion Paper (EB-2014-0189)

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, LPMA and VECC. No objections were received.

OEB Findings

The OEB notes that the cost claims filed by AMPCO, BOMA, CME, Energy Probe, LPMA and VECC are in accordance with the OEB's Notice dated September 3, 2015. The OEB finds that each of these eligible participants is entitled to 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding.

Process for Paying the Cost Awards

The amount payable by each licensed electricity 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 OEB 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 11, 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	EPRF	LPMA	VECC	TOTAL
Algoma Power Inc.	\$ 17.09	\$ 0.79	\$ 20.87	\$ 33.61	\$ 27.58	\$ 58.75	\$ 158.70
Atikokan Hydro Inc.	\$ 1.10	\$ 0.05	\$ 1.34	\$ 2.16	\$ 1.77	\$ 3.78	\$ 10.20
Attawapiskat Power Corp.	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.04	\$ 1.03	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.36	\$ 2.89	\$ 7.80
Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 16.36	\$ 0.75	\$ 19.97	\$ 32.18	\$ 26.40	\$ 56.24	\$ 151.90
Brant County Power Inc.	\$ 5.03	\$ 0.23	\$ 6.14	\$ 9.90	\$ 8.12	\$ 17.30	\$ 46.72
Brantford Power Inc.	\$ 12.25	\$ 0.56	\$ 14.95	\$ 24.09	\$ 19.77	\$ 42.10	\$ 113.73
Burlington Hydro Inc.	\$ 25.26	\$ 1.16	\$ 30.84	\$ 49.67	\$ 40.76	\$ 86.82	\$ 234.50
Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.	\$ 21.43	\$ 0.98	\$ 26.16	\$ 42.14	\$ 34.58	\$ 73.65	\$ 198.94
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$ 15.02	\$ 0.69	\$ 18.34	\$ 29.54	\$ 24.24	\$ 51.63	\$ 139.46
Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.	\$ 2.77	\$ 0.13	\$ 3.38	\$ 5.45	\$ 4.47	\$ 9.52	\$ 25.71
Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.85	\$ 1.37	\$ 1.12	\$ 2.39	\$ 6.46
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$ 15.23	\$ 0.70	\$ 18.60	\$ 29.95	\$ 24.58	\$ 52.35	\$ 141.42
Collus PowerStream Corp.	\$ 5.00	\$ 0.23	\$ 6.10	\$ 9.83	\$ 8.07	\$ 17.18	\$ 46.41
Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.84	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.11	\$ 2.37	\$ 6.40
Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company Ltd.	\$ 9.93	\$ 0.46	\$ 12.12	\$ 19.53	\$ 16.02	\$ 34.14	\$ 92.20
E.L.K. Energy Inc.	\$ 2.98	\$ 0.14	\$ 3.64	\$ 5.86	\$ 4.81	\$ 10.25	\$ 27.69
Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc.	\$ 94.34	\$ 4.33	\$ 115.17	\$ 185.51	\$ 152.22	\$ 324.25	\$ 875.82
Enwin Utilities Ltd.	\$ 39.82	\$ 1.83	\$ 48.61	\$ 78.29	\$ 64.24	\$ 136.85	\$ 369.64
Erie Thames Powerlines Corporation	\$ 8.57	\$ 0.39	\$ 10.46	\$ 16.85	\$ 13.83	\$ 29.45	\$ 79.55
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	\$ 1.59	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.94	\$ 3.12	\$ 2.56	\$ 5.45	\$ 14.72
Essex Powerlines Corporation	\$ 9.11	\$ 0.42	\$ 11.13	\$ 17.92	\$ 14.70	\$ 31.32	\$ 84.60
Festival Hydro Inc.	\$ 8.88	\$ 0.41	\$ 10.84	\$ 17.47	\$ 14.33	\$ 30.53	\$ 82.45
Fort Albany Power Corporation	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.72	\$ 1.16	\$ 0.95	\$ 2.03	\$ 5.47

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Fort Frances Power Corporation	\$ 1.52	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.86	\$ 2.99	\$ 2.46	\$ 5.23	\$ 14.13
Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.	\$ 21.09	\$ 0.97	\$ 25.74	\$ 41.47	\$ 34.03	\$ 72.48	\$ 195.78
Grimsby Power Incorporated	\$ 3.42	\$ 0.16	\$ 4.18	\$ 6.73	\$ 5.52	\$ 11.77	\$ 31.78
Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc.	\$ 21.39	\$ 0.98	\$ 26.11	\$ 42.05	\$ 34.51	\$ 73.50	\$ 198.53
Haldimand County Hydro Inc.	\$ 11.75	\$ 0.54	\$ 14.35	\$ 23.11	\$ 18.96	\$ 40.40	\$ 109.12
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$ 7.54	\$ 0.35	\$ 9.21	\$ 14.83	\$ 12.17	\$ 25.93	\$ 70.03
Horizon Utilities Corporation	\$ 84.81	\$ 3.90	\$ 103.53	\$ 166.76	\$ 136.83	\$ 291.47	\$ 787.29
Hydro Hawkesbury Inc.	\$ 1.24	\$ 0.06	\$ 1.51	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.26	\$ 11.51
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$ 0.91	\$ 0.04	\$ 1.11	\$ 1.79	\$ 1.47	\$ 3.14	\$ 8.47
Hydro 2000 Inc.	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.66	\$ 1.40	\$ 3.77
Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc.	\$ 53.73	\$ 2.47	\$ 65.59	\$ 105.64	\$ 86.68	\$ 184.65	\$ 498.76
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$ 1,025.34	\$ 47.11	\$ 1,251.69	\$ 2,016.22	\$ 1,654.37	\$ 3,524.07	\$ 9,518.79
Hydro One Remote Communities Incorporated	\$ 18.97	\$ 0.87	\$ 23.15	\$ 37.30	\$ 30.60	\$ 65.19	\$ 176.09
Hydro Ottawa Limited	\$ 122.93	\$ 5.65	\$ 150.07	\$ 241.73	\$ 198.35	\$ 422.51	\$ 1,141.24
Innpower Corporation	\$ 6.16	\$ 0.28	\$ 7.52	\$ 12.12	\$ 9.94	\$ 21.18	\$ 57.22
Kashechewan Power Corporation	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.97	\$ 1.57	\$ 1.29	\$ 2.74	\$ 7.40
Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd.	\$ 2.33	\$ 0.11	\$ 2.84	\$ 4.57	\$ 3.75	\$ 7.99	\$ 21.59
Kingston Hydro Corporation	\$ 10.49	\$ 0.48	\$ 12.81	\$ 20.64	\$ 16.93	\$ 36.07	\$ 97.42
Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.	\$ 32.15	\$ 1.48	\$ 39.25	\$ 63.22	\$ 51.87	\$ 110.49	\$ 298.45
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	\$ 3.69	\$ 0.17	\$ 4.50	\$ 7.25	\$ 5.95	\$ 12.67	\$ 34.23
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 6.67	\$ 0.31	\$ 8.14	\$ 13.11	\$ 10.76	\$ 22.92	\$ 61.91
London Hydro Inc.	\$ 51.95	\$ 2.39	\$ 63.42	\$ 102.16	\$ 83.83	\$ 178.56	\$ 482.32
Midland Power Utility Corporation	\$ 2.91	\$ 0.13	\$ 3.55	\$ 5.72	\$ 4.69	\$ 10.00	\$ 27.00
Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.	\$ 12.16	\$ 0.56	\$ 14.85	\$ 23.91	\$ 19.62	\$ 41.80	\$ 112.90
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 12.50	\$ 0.57	\$ 15.26	\$ 24.59	\$ 20.17	\$ 42.97	\$ 116.07

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Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.	\$ 22.72	\$ 1.04	\$ 27.73	\$ 44.67	\$ 36.66	\$ 78.08	\$ 210.91
Niagara-on-the-lake Hydro Inc.	\$ 4.15	\$ 0.19	\$ 5.07	\$ 8.17	\$ 6.70	\$ 14.27	\$ 38.56
Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.	\$ 9.51	\$ 0.44	\$ 11.60	\$ 18.69	\$ 15.34	\$ 32.67	\$ 88.25
North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited	\$ 9.54	\$ 0.44	\$ 11.65	\$ 18.76	\$ 15.40	\$ 32.80	\$ 88.59
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$ 3.07	\$ 0.14	\$ 3.75	\$ 6.04	\$ 4.95	\$ 10.55	\$ 28.50
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 28.41	\$ 1.31	\$ 34.68	\$ 55.86	\$ 45.83	\$ 97.63	\$ 263.70
Orangeville Hydro Limited	\$ 4.49	\$ 0.21	\$ 5.48	\$ 8.83	\$ 7.24	\$ 15.43	\$ 41.66
Orillia Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 6.49	\$ 0.30	\$ 7.93	\$ 12.77	\$ 10.48	\$ 22.32	\$ 60.29
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$ 15.19	\$ 0.70	\$ 18.55	\$ 29.87	\$ 24.51	\$ 52.21	\$ 141.04
Ottawa River Power Corporation	\$ 3.27	\$ 0.15	\$ 3.99	\$ 6.43	\$ 5.27	\$ 11.24	\$ 30.35
Peterborough Distribution Incorporated	\$ 12.64	\$ 0.58	\$ 15.43	\$ 24.85	\$ 20.39	\$ 43.44	\$ 117.34
Powerstream Inc.	\$ 130.96	\$ 6.02	\$ 159.87	\$ 257.52	\$ 211.30	\$ 450.10	\$ 1,215.77
PUC Distribution Inc.	\$ 15.54	\$ 0.71	\$ 18.96	\$ 30.55	\$ 25.07	\$ 53.39	\$ 144.22
Renfrew Hydro Inc.	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.83	\$ 2.95	\$ 2.42	\$ 5.15	\$ 13.92
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$ 2.13	\$ 0.10	\$ 2.61	\$ 4.20	\$ 3.44	\$ 7.34	\$ 19.82
St. Thomas Energy Inc.	\$ 5.60	\$ 0.26	\$ 6.84	\$ 11.01	\$ 9.04	\$ 19.25	\$ 52.00
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.	\$ 1.59	\$ 0.07	\$ 1.94	\$ 3.13	\$ 2.57	\$ 5.47	\$ 14.77
Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 15.20	\$ 0.70	\$ 18.55	\$ 29.88	\$ 24.52	\$ 52.23	\$ 141.07
Tillsonburg Hydro Inc.	\$ 3.07	\$ 0.14	\$ 3.75	\$ 6.04	\$ 4.96	\$ 10.56	\$ 28.53
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$ 440.38	\$ 20.23	\$ 537.59	\$ 865.96	\$ 710.54	\$ 1,513.57	\$ 4,088.27
Veridian Connections Inc.	\$ 40.22	\$ 1.85	\$ 49.10	\$ 79.09	\$ 64.90	\$ 138.25	\$ 373.42
Wasaga Distribution Inc.	\$ 2.85	\$ 0.13	\$ 3.48	\$ 5.61	\$ 4.60	\$ 9.81	\$ 26.50
Waterloo North Hydro Inc.	\$ 25.81	\$ 1.19	\$ 31.51	\$ 50.76	\$ 41.65	\$ 88.71	\$ 239.62
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$ 7.16	\$ 0.33	\$ 8.74	\$ 14.09	\$ 11.56	\$ 24.62	\$ 66.50
Wellington North Power Inc.	\$ 1.97	\$ 0.09	\$ 2.41	\$ 3.88	\$ 3.18	\$ 6.78	\$ 18.31

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West Coast Huron Energy Inc.	\$ 2.11	\$ 0.10	\$ 2.58	\$ 4.15	\$ 3.41	\$ 7.25	\$ 19.59
Westario Power Inc.	\$ 8.40	\$ 0.39	\$ 10.25	\$ 16.51	\$ 13.55	\$ 28.86	\$ 77.95
Whitby Hydro Electric Corporation	\$ 18.53	\$ 0.85	\$ 22.63	\$ 36.45	\$ 29.90	\$ 63.70	\$ 172.06
Woodstock Hydro Services Inc.	\$ 6.97	\$ 0.32	\$ 8.51	\$ 13.71	\$ 11.25	\$ 23.96	\$ 64.73
TOTAL	\$ 2,680.93	\$ 123.17	\$ 3,272.76	\$ 5,271.75	\$ 4,325.64	\$ 9,214.28	\$ 24,888.53