



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2012-0383

**Cost Awards in relation to a Policy Review of Cost Allocation for
Unmetered Loads**

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel
Presiding Member

Christine Long
Member

December 21, 2015

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

On April 30, 2014, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a Decision and Order on Cost Awards for the cost allocation policy review for unmetered loads for consultation activities up to that date.

In order to address the allocation of costs to daisy-chain configured street lighting systems, the OEB initiated a single-issue consultation and held two short working group meetings on February 11, 2015 and March 23, 2015. On October 14, 2015, the OEB issued a Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards (the Notice) for the second phase of the consultation. In the Notice, the OEB granted the participants in the two working group meetings cost awards for the second phase of the consultation. A cost claim was submitted by the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC).

Eligible participants in the working group were able to claim cost awards for preparation for, attendance at, and reporting on the two working group meetings to a maximum of 10 hours per day. Costs awarded will be recovered 100% from all licensed electricity distributors based on their respective distribution revenues.

OEB Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claim from VECC and finds that VECC's cost claim is within the approved limits set by the OEB. The OEB therefore finds that VECC is entitled to 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this consultation process.

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 OEB's *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 VECC.
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 21, 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	VECC	TOTAL
Algoma Power Inc.	\$ 26.79	\$ 26.79
Atikokan Hydro Inc.	\$ 1.72	\$ 1.72
Attawapiskat Power Corp.	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.32
Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 25.65	\$ 25.65
Brant County Power Inc.	\$ 7.89	\$ 7.89
Brantford Power Inc.	\$ 19.20	\$ 19.20
Burlington Hydro Inc.	\$ 39.59	\$ 39.59
Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.	\$ 33.59	\$ 33.59
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$ 23.54	\$ 23.54
Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.	\$ 4.34	\$ 4.34
Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation	\$ 1.09	\$ 1.09
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$ 23.87	\$ 23.87
Collus PowerStream Corp.	\$ 7.84	\$ 7.84
Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.08
Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company Ltd.	\$ 15.57	\$ 15.57
E.L.K. Energy Inc.	\$ 4.67	\$ 4.67
Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc.	\$ 147.86	\$ 147.86
Enwin Utilities Ltd.	\$ 62.40	\$ 62.40
Erie Thames Powerlines Corporation	\$ 13.43	\$ 13.43
Espanola Regional Hydro Distribution Corporation	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.49
Essex Powerlines Corporation	\$ 14.28	\$ 14.28
Festival Hydro Inc.	\$ 13.92	\$ 13.92
Fort Albany Power Corporation	\$ 0.92	\$ 0.92
Fort Frances Power Corporation	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.39
Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.	\$ 33.05	\$ 33.05
Grimsby Power Incorporated	\$ 5.37	\$ 5.37
Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc.	\$ 33.52	\$ 33.52
Haldimand County Hydro Inc.	\$ 18.42	\$ 18.42
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$ 11.82	\$ 11.82
Horizon Utilities Corporation	\$ 132.91	\$ 132.91
Hydro Hawkesbury Inc.	\$ 1.94	\$ 1.94
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$ 1.43	\$ 1.43
Hydro 2000 Inc.	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.64
Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc.	\$ 84.20	\$ 84.20
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$ 1,607.00	\$ 1,607.00
Hydro One Remote Communities Incorporated	\$ 29.73	\$ 29.73
Hydro Ottawa Limited	\$ 192.67	\$ 192.67

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	VECC	TOTAL
Innpower Corporation	\$ 9.66	\$ 9.66
Kashechewan Power Corporation	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.25
Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation Ltd.	\$ 3.65	\$ 3.65
Kingston Hydro Corporation	\$ 16.45	\$ 16.45
Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc.	\$ 50.39	\$ 50.39
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	\$ 5.78	\$ 5.78
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 10.45	\$ 10.45
London Hydro Inc.	\$ 81.43	\$ 81.43
Midland Power Utility Corporation	\$ 4.56	\$ 4.56
Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.	\$ 19.06	\$ 19.06
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$ 19.60	\$ 19.60
Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.	\$ 35.61	\$ 35.61
Niagara-on-the-lake Hydro Inc.	\$ 6.51	\$ 6.51
Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.90
North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited	\$ 14.96	\$ 14.96
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$ 4.81	\$ 4.81
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 44.52	\$ 44.52
Orangeville Hydro Limited	\$ 7.03	\$ 7.03
Orillia Power Distribution Corporation	\$ 10.18	\$ 10.18
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$ 23.81	\$ 23.81
Ottawa River Power Corporation	\$ 5.12	\$ 5.12
Peterborough Distribution Incorporated	\$ 19.81	\$ 19.81
Powerstream Inc.	\$ 205.25	\$ 205.25
PUC Distribution Inc.	\$ 24.35	\$ 24.35
Renfrew Hydro Inc.	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.35
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.35
St. Thomas Energy Inc.	\$ 8.78	\$ 8.78
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.	\$ 2.49	\$ 2.49
Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$ 23.82	\$ 23.82
Tillsonburg Hydro Inc.	\$ 4.82	\$ 4.82
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$ 690.20	\$ 690.20
Veridian Connections Inc.	\$ 63.04	\$ 63.04
Wasaga Distribution Inc.	\$ 4.47	\$ 4.47
Waterloo North Hydro Inc.	\$ 40.45	\$ 40.45
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$ 11.23	\$ 11.23
Wellington North Power Inc.	\$ 3.09	\$ 3.09
West Coast Huron Energy Inc.	\$ 3.31	\$ 3.31
Westario Power Inc.	\$ 13.16	\$ 13.16

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	VECC	TOTAL
Whitby Hydro Electric Corporation	\$ 29.05	\$ 29.05
Woodstock Hydro Services Inc.	\$ 10.93	\$ 10.93
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TOTAL	\$ 4,201.77	\$ 4,201.77
