



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

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**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST  
AWARDS**

**EB-2015-0069**

**FESTIVAL HYDRO INC.**

**Application for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2016.**

**BEFORE: Allison Duff**  
Presiding Member

**Victoria Christie**  
Member

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**January 25, 2016**

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Festival Hydro Inc. (Festival Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 17, 2015, to seek approval for changes to its distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2016.

The OEB granted the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility in relation to Festival Hydro's request to defer the final adjustments related to a bypass agreement between the Festival Hydro and Hydro One Networks Inc. until its next IRM application.

On December 10, 2015, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim, for Festival Hydro to object to the claim and for VECC to respond to any objection raised by Festival Hydro.

The OEB received the cost claim from VECC. No objection was received from Festival Hydro.

## OEB Findings

The OEB has reviewed VECC's cost claim and finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred cost of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and Festival Hydro shall reimburse VECC for its costs.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,084.73.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto January 25, 2016

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary