



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

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**SUPPLEMENTARY DECISION  
ON COST ELIGIBILITY**

**EB-2015-0237**

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**Cost award eligibility for interested parties and stakeholders participating in the consultation to examine recent developments in the North American natural gas market to better understand any potential implications for Ontario's natural gas sector**

**BEFORE:**            **Cathy Spoel**  
                             Presiding Member

**Christine Long**  
Member

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**February 8, 2016**

In a letter dated November 25, 2015 (“the [cover letter](#)”), the Board initiated its 3<sup>rd</sup> Natural Gas Market Review consultation. The purpose of the initiative is to examine developments in the North American natural gas market over the last year to better understand any potential implications for Ontario’s natural gas sector. The consultation process will identify and explain key influences on the Ontario natural gas sector over the next 3 to 5 years.

The cover letter notified stakeholders that cost awards would be available to eligible persons under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* in relation to their participation in eligible activities as set out in Appendix A of the cover letter. The cover letter also indicated that any costs awarded will be recovered from all rate regulated natural gas distributors based on their respective distribution revenues.

On January 18, 2016 the OEB issued a [Decision on Cost Eligibility](#) in relation to stakeholder requests for cost eligibility filed with the OEB prior to that date. On the same day, the OEB received a request for cost award eligibility from [Energy Probe Research Foundation](#) (Energy Probe). No objections were received to Energy Probe’s request.

Energy Probe is eligible to request an award of costs in the current consultation.

**DATED** at Toronto February 8, 2016

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*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary