



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2015-0110

WELLINGTON NORTH POWER INC.

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges
beginning May 1, 2016**

BEFORE: Christine Long
Presiding Member

April 21, 2016

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Wellington North Power Inc. (Wellington North Power) filed a complete cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 2, 2015 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B)*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Wellington North Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2016.

The OEB granted Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On March 31, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Wellington North Power to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Wellington North Power.

The OEB received cost claims from Energy Probe and VECC. No objections were received from Wellington North Power.

OEB Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed by Energy Probe and VECC to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that both parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of Energy Probe and VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Wellington North Power.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Wellington North Power shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

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| • Energy Probe Research Foundation | \$12,900.53 |
| • Vulnerable energy Consumers Coalition | \$15,901.16 |

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2. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, Wellington North Power shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto April 21, 2016

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary