

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

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2015-0065

## ENERSOURCE HYDRO MISSISSAUGA 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

Cathy Spoel Member

May 17, 2016

#### INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc. (Enersource) filed a complete application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on October 2, 2015 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) and under the OEB's Filing Requirements for Incentive Regulation Rate Applications seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2016.

The OEB granted the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 7, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Enersource to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Enersource.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, CCC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Enersource.

#### Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed by AMPCO, CCC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. Energy Probe's claim requires a reduction of \$849.33 due to a calculation error in the total cost claim and the sum of individual claims (Mr. Aiken and Mr. MacIntosh).

The OEB finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of AMPCO, CCC, SEC and VECC and the adjusted claim of Energy Probe are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Enersource.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

•	Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$14,054.60
٠	Consumers Council of Canada	\$10,322.55

Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$8,720.23
School Energy Coalition	\$19,806.64
<ul> <li>Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition</li> </ul>	\$7,460.76

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

DATED at Toronto May 17, 2016

#### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary