



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

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**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST  
AWARDS**

**EB-2015-0003**

**POWERSTREAM INC.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates effective from January 1, 2016 and for each following year effective January 1 through to December 31, 2020**

**BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle**  
Vice Chair and Presiding Member

**Ellen Fry**  
Member

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**November 10, 2016**

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## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

PowerStream Inc. (PowerStream) filed a Custom Incentive Rate (CIR) application (the Application) with the Ontario Energy Board (the OEB) on May 22, 2015 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998 seeking approval for changes to the rates that PowerStream charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2016 and each year until December 31, 2020.

The OEB granted the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), the Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto (BOMA), the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), the School Energy Coalition (SEC), the Sustainable Infrastructure Alliance of Ontario (SIA), and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On September 27, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for PowerStream to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by PowerStream.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, BOMA, CCC, Energy Probe, SEC, SIA and VECC. No objections were filed by PowerStream.

## OEB Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims and finds that all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The claim of BOMA requires a minor reduction to match the courier receipts. The claim of Energy Probe also requires a minor reduction to correct an error in the HST calculation for accommodation.

The OEB finds that the claims of AMPCO, CCC, SEC, SIA and VECC and the adjusted claims of BOMA and Energy Probe are reasonable and that each of these claims shall be reimbursed by PowerStream.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, PowerStream shall immediately pay:

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• Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$63,224.18
• Building Owners and Managers Association, Greater Toronto	\$64,175.72
• Consumers Council of Canada	\$52,731.45
• Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$40,669.28
• School Energy Coalition	\$101,116.78
• Sustainable Infrastructure Alliance of Ontario	\$27,936.43
• Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$52,231.75

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

**DATED** at Toronto November 10, 2016

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary