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

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2016-0081

HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges beginning January 1, 2017

BEFORE: Ken Quesnelle
Vice Chair and Presiding Member

Christine Long
Vice Chair and Member

Allison Duff
Member

January 23, 2017

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) filed a draft rate order application to implement the final year of its EB-2013-0416 cost of service decision with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) 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 Hydro One charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2017.

The OEB granted Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On December 21, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for Energy Probe to file its cost claim, for Hydro One to object to the claim and for Energy Probe to respond to any objection raised by Hydro One.

The OEB received the cost claim from Energy Probe. No objection was received from Hydro One.

OEB Findings

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

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One shall immediately pay Energy Probe Research Foundation $4,441.05.

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

DATED at Toronto January 23, 2017

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary