



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2016-0070

FESTIVAL HYDRO INC.

Application for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective January 1, 2017.

BEFORE: Allison Duff
Presiding Member

Victoria Christie
Member

January 23, 2017

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Festival Hydro Inc. (Festival Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 15, 2016 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, 2017.

The OEB granted the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility in relation to Festival Hydro's application.

On December 8, 2016, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim, for Festival Hydro to object to the claim and for VECC to respond to any objection raised by Festival Hydro.

The OEB received the cost claim totaling \$1,130.35 from VECC. No objection was received from Festival Hydro.

OEB Findings

The OEB reviewed VECC's claim for costs associated with participating in this proceeding and finds it to be reasonable. The OEB finds that Festival Hydro shall reimburse VECC for 100% of its costs.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$1,130.35.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Festival Hydro 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