

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

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2016-0091

### LONDON HYDRO INC.

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

**BEFORE:** Emad Elsayed

**Presiding Member** 

**Victoria Christie** 

Member

**Susan Frank** 

Member

#### INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

London Hydro Inc. (London Hydro) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 26, 2016 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 London Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2017.

The OEB granted the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), the London Property Management Association (LPMA), the School Energy Coalition (SEC) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On March 23, 2017, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for London Hydro to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by London Hydro.

The OEB received cost claims from CCC, LPMA, SEC and VECC. On April 6, 2017, London hydro filed a letter stating that it had no objection to the cost claims.

#### **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 LPMA requires a minor reduction to correct an error in the HST calculation for accommodation.

The OEB finds that the claims of CCC, SEC and VECC and the adjusted claim of LPMA are reasonable and that each of these claims shall be reimbursed by London Hydro.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

•	Consumers Council of Canada	\$16,966.95
•	London Property Management Association	\$20,295.91
•	School Energy Coalition	\$25,282.62
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$26,550.79

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

**DATED** at Toronto May 5, 2017

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary