



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

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**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST  
AWARDS**

**EB-2016-0056**

**ATIKOKAN HYDRO INC.**

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

**BEFORE: Allison Duff**  
Presiding Member

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**May 5, 2017**

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on a cost claim filed with respect to an Atikokan Hydro Inc. (Atikokan Hydro) proceeding.

Atikokan Hydro filed a cost of service application with the OEB on October 4, 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 it charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2017.

The OEB granted the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 13, 2017, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for intervenors to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Atikokan Hydro.

The OEB received a cost claim from VECC. No objection was received from Atikokan Hydro.

### Finding

The OEB has reviewed the claim filed by VECC to ensure that it is compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Atikokan Hydro.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan Hydro Inc. shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$9,689.81.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan Hydro Inc. 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