



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2016-0351

NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED

**Application to sell natural gas distribution system to EPCOR
Natural Gas Limited Partnership**

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel
Presiding Member

November 28, 2017

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Natural Resource Gas Limited (Natural Resource Gas) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on December 1, 2016 under section 43(1)(a) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval to sell its natural gas distribution system to EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (EPCOR Natural Gas). The application was amended on January 25, 2017.

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

On August 3, 2017, the OEB issued its Decision and Order setting out the process for VECC to file its cost claims, for Natural Resource Gas to object to the claims and for VECC to respond to any objections raised by Natural Resource Gas.

The OEB received a cost claim from VECC. No objection was received from Natural Resource Gas.

Findings

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

The OEB finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Natural Resource Gas.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Natural Resource Gas Limited shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$5,316.53.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Natural Resource Gas Limited shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto November 28, 2017

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary