

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

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2017-0290

# Independent Electricity System Operator / Smart Metering Entity

Application for approval of smart metering charge for the 2018-2022 period

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel Presiding Member

> Michael Janigan Member

Rumina Velshi Member

April 13, 2018

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to an Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) / Smart Metering Entity (SME) proceeding.

The IESO, in its capacity as the SME, filed an application with the OEB on August 31, 2017 under subsections 78(2.1), (3.0.1), (3.0.2) and (3.0.3) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for its smart metering charge for the 2018 to 2022 period.

The OEB granted the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA), the Electricity Distributors Association, and Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. intervenor status. BOMA was also granted cost award eligibility.

On March 1, 2018, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for BOMA to file its cost claims, for the IESO to object to the claims and for BOMA to respond to any objections raised by the IESO.

The OEB received cost claims from BOMA. On March 21, 2018, the IESO filed a letter stating that it had no objections to the cost claims received from BOMA.

### Finding

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that BOMA is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of BOMA are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by the IESO.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the IESO shall immediately pay the following amounts to BOMA for its costs:
  - Building Owners and Managers Association \$13,486.30
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the IESO shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

#### DATED at Toronto April 13, 2018

#### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary