



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

**DECISION AND ORDER ON COST
AWARDS**

EB-2017-0051

HYDRO ONE REMOTE COMMUNITIES INC.

**Application for electricity generation and distribution rates, and
other charges beginning May 1, 2018**

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed
Presiding Member

Michael Janigan
Member

Rumina Velshi
Member

June 6, 2018

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to the Hydro One Remote Communities Inc. (Hydro One Remotes) 2018 cost of service proceeding.

Hydro One Remotes filed a cost of service application dated August 28, 2017 with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) pursuant to section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for an order or orders approving its 2018 revenue requirement and customer rates for the distribution and generation of electricity, effective May 1, 2018.

The OEB granted Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), Opiikapawiin Services LP (OSLP) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 12, 2018, the OEB issued its Final Rate Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Hydro One Remotes to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One Remotes.

The OEB received cost claims from Energy Probe, OSLP and VECC. No objections were received from Hydro One Remotes.

Finding

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed by Energy Probe, OSLP and VECC to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The claim of VECC requires a reduction of \$5.37 to comply with the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. The OEB finds that the claims of Energy Probe and OSLP and the adjusted claim of VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Hydro One Remotes.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

- Energy Probe Research Foundation \$18,083.70
- Opiikapawiin Services LP \$8,413.63
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$14,599.30

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

DATED at Toronto June 6, 2018

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary