

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

# EB-2018-0063

## **OTTAWA RIVER POWER CORPORATION**

Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2019

BEFORE: Allison Duff Presiding Member

> Michael Janigan Member

May 10, 2019

#### INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to a Ottawa River Power Corporation (Ottawa River Power) proceeding.

Ottawa River Power filed an Incentive Rate Mechanism application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on September 25, 2018 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Ottawa River Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2019.

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

On March 28, 2019, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claims, for Ottawa River Power to object to the claims and for VECC to respond to any objections raised by Ottawa River Power.

The OEB received a cost claim from VECC.

On April 26, 2019 Ottawa River Power sent an email stating that it had no objections to the cost claims.

#### Findings

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 VECC is eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claim by VECC is reasonable and the claim shall be reimbursed by Ottawa River Power.

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Ottawa River Power Corporation shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenor for their costs:
  - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

\$8,967.42

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

DATED at Toronto May 10, 2019

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary