

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

### EB-2018-0218

## HYDRO ONE SAULT STE. MARIE LP

Application for electricity transmission revenue requirement beginning January 1, 2019 and related matters

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed Presiding Member

> Lynne Anderson Member

Allison Duff Member

August 14, 2019

#### INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to a Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie LP (Hydro One SSM) proceeding.

Hydro One SSM filed an application with the OEB on July 26, 2018 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, and under the OEB's *Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications*,<sup>1</sup> seeking approval for changes to its electricity transmission revenue requirement to be effective January 1, 2019 and related matters.

The OEB granted the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On June 20, 2019, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Hydro One SSM to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One SSM.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Hydro One SSM.

#### 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 approves the cost claims as filed for all cost eligible intervenors.

The OEB finds that AMPCO, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of AMPCO, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Hydro One SSM.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> February 11, 2016

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

•	Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$21,811.83
•	Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$43,068.60
•	School Energy Coalition	\$26,776.48
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$13,377.08

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

#### DATED at Toronto August 14, 2019

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary