



Niagara On-The-Lake HYDRO

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Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
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Attn: Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

Re: EB-2019-0143 – Intervenor Cost Claims

Dear Sirs:

Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. (NOTL Hydro) has received the cost claims of School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) on the above proceeding.

NOTL Hydro notes the following:

- The cost claim by SEC is for \$2,259 plus HST while the cost claim by VECC is \$4,785 plus HST. VECC is over twice as high as SEC.
- VECC is claiming a total of 14.5 hours while SEC is claiming 9.3 hours.
- Both the service providers for VECC were at the rate of \$330 per hour while 87% of SECs hours were at a rate of \$230 per hour. It seems to NOTL Hydro reasonable to expect that more experienced and expensive service providers should be more efficient in their time.
- The Decision cited SEC eight times while it only cited VECC once.

Therefore, NOTL Hydro requests that the cost claim by VECC be reduced to \$2,000 plus HST in order to be consistent with the SEC cost claim.

Yours truly,

Tim Curtis
President