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November 22, 2019

VIA E-MAIL – 5 pages

PIAC File # 6750

Ms. Christiane E. Long
Registrar and Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON
M4P 1E4


Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: EB-2018-0336 Epcor Natural Gas Limited Partnership
Cost Claim of Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

As per the Decision and Order, we have enclosed the cost claim of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) with respect to the above-noted proceeding.

We have also directed a copy to the Applicant as well as their Counsel.

Thank you.


Donna Brady
Office Administrator

Cc: ENGLP – Bruce Brandell – bbrandell@epcor.com
Counsel – Richard King – rking@oster.com

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS



Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

This form should be used by a party to a hearing before the Board to identify the fees and disbursements that form the party's cost claim. Paper and electronic copies of this form and itemized receipts must be filed with the Board and served on one or more other parties as directed by the Board in the applicable Board order. Please ensure all required (yellow-shaded) fields are filled in and the Affidavit portion is signed and sworn or affirmed.

Instructions

- Required data input is indicated by yellow-shaded fields. Formulas are embedded in the form to assist with calculations.
- All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state exchange rate and country of initial currency.
Rate: _____ Country: _____
- A separate "Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed" (comprising a "Statement of Fees Being Claimed" and a "Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed") is required for each lawyer, analyst/consultant and articling student/paralegal. However, only one "Summary of Fees and Disbursements" covering the whole of the party's cost claim should be provided.
- The cost claim must be supported by a completed Affidavit signed by a representative of the party.
- A CV for each consultant/analyst must be attached unless provided to the Board as prescribed on the Cost Award Tariff.

Except as provided in section 7.03 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards, itemized receipts must be provided.

File #	EB- 2018-0336	Process:	Epcor Natural Gas Limited Partnership
Party:	VECC	Affiant's Name:	Donna Brady
HST Number:	13059 2405 RT 0001	HST Rate Ontario:	3.94%
	Full Registrant <input type="checkbox"/>	Qualifying Non-Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Unregistered <input type="checkbox"/>	Tax Exempt <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Other <input type="checkbox"/>		

Affidavit

I, Donna Brady, of the City/Town of Ottawa
in the Province/State of Ontario, swear or affirm that:

1. I am a representative of the above-noted party (the "Party") and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.
2. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim, including the attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".
3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed" include only costs incurred and time spent directly for the purposes of the Party's participation in the Ontario Energy Board process referred to above.
4. This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in sections 6.05 and 6.09 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.


Signature of Affiant

Sworn or affirmed before me at the City/Town of Ottawa
in the Province/State of Ontario, on Nov. 22, 2019
(date)


Commissioner for taking Affidavits

Ontario Energy Board
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Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

File # EB- 2018-0336 Process: Epcor Natural Gas Limited Partnership
Party: VECC

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

Legal/consultant/other fees	\$	19,882.50
Disbursements	\$	-
HST	\$	783.37
Total Cost Claim	\$	20,665.87

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Public Interest Advocacy Centre
Send payment to this address: 2-285 McLeod Street
Ottawa, ON
K2P 1A1

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- <u>2018-0336</u>	Process: <u>Epcor Natural Gas Limited Partnership</u>	
Party: <u>VECC</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>Mark Garner</u>	
SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)	Year Called to Bar	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience
Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="31"/>
Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/>		
Consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Hourly Rate: <input type="text" value="\$330"/>
Analyst <input type="checkbox"/>		
For Consultant/Analyst: <input type="checkbox"/> CV attached	HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input type="text" value="3.9%"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CV provided within previous 24 months		

Statement of Fees Being Claimed

	Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal	HST	Total
Pre-hearing Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technical Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interrogatories					
Preparation	19.75 19.8	\$ 330.00	\$ 6,517.50	\$ 256.79	\$ 6,774.29
Responses		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Issues Conference					
Preparation	1.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 343.00
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation	13.25 13.3	\$ 330.00	\$ 4,372.50	\$ 172.28	\$ 4,544.78
Attendance	10.25 10.3	\$ 330.00	\$ 3,382.50	\$ 133.27	\$ 3,515.77
Proposal Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Argument					
Preparation	15.5	\$ 330.00	\$ 5,115.00	\$ 201.53	\$ 5,316.53
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation	0.5	\$ 330.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 6.50	\$ 171.50
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management		\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 19,882.50	\$ 783.37	\$ 20,665.87

INVOICE #	ENGLP336	Mark C Garner				
Date	November 20, 2019	647 Broadway Ave.				
Client:	PIAC-VECC	Toronto, On				
File:	EPCOR-ENGLP (NRG)	-----				
Period covering:	March 18, 2019					
Billable Hours	60.25	@	Rate	\$330.00	HRs	\$19,882.50
Disbursements	N/A					n/a
Detail						
HST No.		@	Rate	13%	HST	\$2,584.73
No. 87831 4327						
RT001						
Total						\$22,467.23

DETAILED DOCKET

Disbursement	Date	Hrs	Code	Description
	March 18, 2019	0.00		Notice/intervention - not charged
Phase 1	April 8, 2019	7.50	IRP	Review summary of application - make submission/read staff reply on March 7, 2019
	April 9, 2019	8.50	IRP	Review evidence/irs/notes
	May 7, 2019	1.00	ICP	Issues list comment and emails back on issue 1(a)
	May 14, 2019	2.00	ADP	ADR prep - half day
	May 15, 2019	6.00	ADP	ADR prep - sent John notes 10:47 pm
	May 16, 2019	6.00	ADA	ADR Attendance 9:30-
	May 17, 2019	4.25	ADA	ADR Attendance 9:30-2:15 pm
	May 28, 2019	2.00	ADP	Review 1st draft of agreement
	May 31, 2019	1.25	ADP	Review second draft send email to parties
Post filing Board ADR Clarifications	July 16, 2019	1.25	ADP	Discussions with VC EPCOR on Board clarification
	July 18, 2019	0.75	ADP	Discussions with VC EPCOR on Board clarification - emails
Phase 2	August 29, 2019	4.50	ARG	Read IR responses/Staff argument/
	August 8, 2019	3.75	IRP	Review Phase II evidence and develop interrogatories
	August 29, 2019	4.50	ARG	Read IR responses/Staff argument/
	August 30, 2019	6.00	ARG	Draft argument - review with PIAC
	Sept 21, 2019	0.25	ARG	Review reply argument
	October 25, 2019	0.25	ARG	Review Board Decision - report to PIAC
	November 7, 2019	0.50	OCP	Review draft rate order & staff comments on DRO - no additional comments filed
	TOTAL	60.25		