

# **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

**EB-2019-0019**

## **ALGOMA POWER INC.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges  
beginning January 1, 2020**

**BEFORE: Michael Janigan**  
Presiding Member

**Cathy Spoel**  
Member

**Robert Dodds**  
Vice Chair and Member

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**December 4, 2019**

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to an Algoma Power Inc. (Algoma Power) proceeding.

Algoma Power filed a revised cost of service application with the OEB on May 31, 2019 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Algoma Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective January 1, 2020.

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

On October 17, 2019, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Algoma Power to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Algoma Power.

The OEB received cost claims from SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Algoma Power.

## 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 all parties are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that the claims of SEC and VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Algoma Power.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

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| • School Energy Coalition               | \$11,933.93 |
| • Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition | \$18,093.36 |

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

**DATED** at Toronto December 4, 2019

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Originally signed by*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar and Board Secretary