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# **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

**EB-2019-0170**

**PUC DISTRIBUTION INC.**

**Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2020**

**BEFORE: Lynne Anderson**  
Presiding Member

**Michael Janigan**  
Member

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**May 14, 2020**

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

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

PUC Distribution filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism application with the OEB on October 15, 2019 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective May 1, 2020.

The OEB granted the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility in relation to PUC Distribution's request for incremental capital funding.

On April 16, 2020, the OEB issued its Decision in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim, for PUC Distribution to object to the claims and for VECC to respond to any objections raised by PUC Distribution.

The OEB received a cost claim from VECC. No objection to the cost claim was received from PUC Distribution.

## Findings

The OEB has reviewed VECC's cost claim to ensure that it is compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The OEB finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and shall be reimbursed by PUC Distribution.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, PUC Distribution Inc. shall immediately pay the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$5,402.28.

**DATED** at Toronto May 14, 2020

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar and Board Secretary