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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2019-0037

GREATER SUDBURY HYDRO INC.

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

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed Presiding Member

> Robert Dodds Vice Chair and Member

June 22, 2020

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

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

Greater Sudbury Hydro filed a cost of service application with the OEB on October 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 Greater Sudbury Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2020.

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

On May 7, 2020, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Greater Sudbury Hydro to object to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Greater Sudbury Hydro.

The OEB received cost claims from Energy Probe, Pollution Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Greater Sudbury Hydro.

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 Energy Probe, Pollution Probe, SEC and VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Greater Sudbury Hydro.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

\$14,675.70
\$18,645.00
\$17,699.19
\$20,494.37

DATED at Toronto June 22, 2020

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Christine E. Long Registrar and Board Secretary