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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2020-0048

OSHAWA PUC NETWORKS INC.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges beginning January 1, 2021

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed Presiding Commissioner

> Robert Dodds Commissioner

Cathy Spoel Commissioner

March 12, 2021

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

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

Oshawa PUC Networks filed a cost of service application with the OEB under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Oshawa PUC Networks charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2021.

The OEB granted the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Distributed Resource Coalition (DRC), 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 February 18, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Oshawa PUC Networks to raise any objections to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Oshawa PUC Networks.

The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, CCC, DRC, Energy Probe, Pollution Probe, SEC and VECC. No objections were received from Oshawa PUC Networks.

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 AMPCO, CCC, DRC, Energy Probe, Pollution Probe, SEC and VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Oshawa PUC Networks.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

•	Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$24,984.30
•	Consumers Council of Canada	\$22,933.35
•	Distributed Resource Coalition	\$8,647.89
•	Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$9,318.75
•	Pollution Probe	\$17,227.98
•	School Energy Coalition	\$22,299.42
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$23,324.14

DATED at Toronto March 12, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long Registrar