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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2020-0026

HALTON HILLS HYDRO INC.

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

BEFORE: Emad Elsayed
Presiding Commissioner

Robert Dodds
Commissioner

April 28, 2021

INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

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

Halton Hills Hydro filed a cost of service application with the OEB on August 28, 2020 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 Halton Hills Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2021.

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

On March 18, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision and Order in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims, for Halton Hills Hydro to raise any objections to the claims and for intervenors to respond to any objections raised by Halton Hills Hydro.

The OEB received cost claims from DRC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC. On April 15, 2021, Halton Hills Hydro filed a letter stating that it had no objections to the cost claims received from DRC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC.

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 DRC, Energy Probe, SEC and VECC are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Halton Hills Hydro.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

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| • Distributed Resource Coalition | \$9,641.16 |
| • Energy Probe Research Foundation | \$13,360.43 |
| • School Energy Coalition | \$27,393.46 |
| • Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition | \$31,727.69 |

DATED at Toronto April 28, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Christine E. Long
Registrar