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June 9, 2021

VIA E-MAIL 8 pages
PIAC File # 6869

Ms. Christiane E. Long
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON
M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: EB-2020-0027 – Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd.
Cost Claim of Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

On behalf of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) we have enclosed their cost claim with respect to the above-noted proceeding.

We have also directed a copy to the Applicant via email.

Thank you.

Donna Brady
Office Administrator

cc: Hearst – Jessy Richard – jrichard@hearstpower.com
Michael Buonaguro – mrb@mrb-law.com

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR HEARINGS



Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

This form should be used by a party to a hearing before the Board to identify the fees and disbursements that form the party's cost claim. Paper and electronic copies of this form and itemized receipts must be filed with the Board and served on one or more other parties as directed by the Board in the applicable Board order. Please ensure all required (yellow-shaded) fields are filled in and the Affidavit portion is signed and sworn or affirmed.

Instructions

- Required data input is indicated by yellow-shaded fields. Formulas are embedded in the form to assist with calculations.
- All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state exchange rate and country of initial currency.
Rate: _____ Country: _____
- A separate "Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed" (comprising a "Statement of Fees Being Claimed" and a "Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed") is required for each lawyer, analyst/consultant and articling student/paralegal. However, only one "Summary of Fees and Disbursements" covering the whole of the party's cost claim should be provided.
- The cost claim must be supported by a completed Affidavit signed by a representative of the party.
- A CV for each consultant/analyst must be attached unless provided to the Board as prescribed on the Cost Award Tariff.

Except as provided in section 7.03 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards, itemized receipts must be provided.

File # EB- <u>EB-2020-0027</u>	Process: <u>Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd</u>
Party: <u>Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition</u>	Affiant's Name: <u>Donna Brady</u>
HST Number: <u>13059 2405 RT 0001</u>	HST Rate Ontario: <u>3.94%</u>
Full Registrant <input type="checkbox"/>	Qualifying Non-Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unregistered <input type="checkbox"/>	Tax Exempt <input type="checkbox"/>
Other <input type="checkbox"/>	

Affidavit

I, Donna Brady, of the City/Town of Ottawa
in the Province/State of Ontario, swear or affirm that:

1. I am a representative of the above-noted party (the "Party") and as such have knowledge of the matters attested to herein.
2. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim, including the attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".
3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement(s) of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed" include only costs incurred and time spent directly for the purposes of the Party's participation in the Ontario Energy Board process referred to above.
4. This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in sections 6.05 and 6.09 of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.



Signature of Affiant

Sworn or affirmed before me at the City/Town of Ottawa
in the Province/State of Ontario, on JUNE 9, 2021
(date)



Commissioner for taking Affidavits

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Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

File # EB- EB-2020-0027 Process: Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd

Party: Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed		
Legal/consultant/other fees	\$	14,602.50
Disbursements		
HST	\$	575.34
Total Cost Claim	\$	15,177.84

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Public Interest Advocacy Centre

Send payment to this address: 2-285 McLeod Street
Ottawa, ON
K2P 1A1

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- EB-2020-0027

Process: Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd

Party: Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

Service Provider Name: William Harper

SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)

Legal Counsel ☐

Articling Student/Paralegal ☐

Consultant ☒

Analyst ☐

Year Called to
Bar

Completed Years
Practising/Years of Relevant
Experience

40

Hourly Rate: \$330

For Consultant/Analyst: ☐ CV attached

HST Rate Charged (enter %): 3.9%

☒ CV provided within previous 24 months

Statement of Fees Being Claimed

	Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal	HST	Total
Pre-hearing Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technical Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interrogatories					
Preparation	5.75	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,897.50	\$ 74.76	\$ 1,972.26
Responses		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Issues Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation	4.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 52.01	\$ 1,372.01
Attendance	3.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 990.00	\$ 39.01	\$ 1,029.01
Proposal Preparation	2.75	\$ 330.00	\$ 907.50	\$ 35.76	\$ 943.26
Argument					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation	1.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 343.00
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management		\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 5,445.00	\$ 214.53	\$ 5,659.53

<u>COST CLAIM DETAILS:</u>		<u>ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD</u>			
NAME:	BILL HARPER	HOURLY RATE:	\$330		
SERVICE:	CONSULTANT	YEARS EXPERIENCE:	40		
FILE #:	EB-2020-0027	PROCESS:	HEARST 2021 COS APPLICATION		
	<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>
INTERROGATORIES					
PREPARATION	11/02/2021	0.75	Review Application	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50
	12/02/2021	4.00	Draft IRRs	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,320.00
	13/02/2021	1.00	Draft IRRs	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00
ADR-SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE					
PREPARATION	19/03/2021	0.75	Review IRRs	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50
	23/03/2021	0.25	ADR Notes	\$ 330.00	\$ 82.50
	24/03/2021	1.00	ADR Notes	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00
	25/03/2021	1.25	Draft FU Questions	\$ 330.00	\$ 412.50
	05/04/2021	0.75	Review FU Responses	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50
ATTENDANCE	05/04/2021	2.25	Split with MG	\$ 330.00	\$ 742.50
	06/04/2021	0.75	Split with MG	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50
SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL	22/04/2021	1.75	Review Draft & Models	\$ 330.00	\$ 577.50
	27/04/2021	0.75	Review Draft #2	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50
	04/05/2021	0.25	Review Draft #3	\$ 330.00	\$ 82.50
OTHER CONFERENCES					
PREPARATION	16/02/2021	1.00	Review IRR & Issue List	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00
SUB-TOTAL		16.50			\$5,445.00
HST (13%)					\$707.85
TOTAL					\$6,152.85

WILLIAM O. HARPER

**107 BAKER AVE, RICHMOND HILL
ONTARIO L4C 1X5**

TELEPHONE: 905-883-1727

Email: bharper.consultant@bell.net

June 1, 2021

Statement of Costs for:

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition
c/o Public Interest Advocacy Centre
200-285 McLeod Street
Ottawa, Ontario
KP2 1A1

Attn: Donna Brady

Statement No. 2021014

For Professional Services rendered re: VECC's participation in EB-2020-0027
(Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd. – 2021 Cost of Service Application)

Services (see attached)	\$	5,445.00
HST (13%)	\$	707.85
TOTAL	\$	6,152.85

PAYABLE TO: WILLIAM HARPER

HST/GST Registration #81998 6902 RT00001

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- <u>EB-2020-0027</u>	Process: <u>Hearst Power Distribution Company Ltd</u>
Party: <u>Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>Mark Garner</u>

SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)	Year Called to Bar	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience
Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/>	<input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 150px; height: 20px;" type="text" value="31"/>
Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/>		
Consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Hourly Rate: <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text" value="\$330"/>
Analyst <input type="checkbox"/>		
For Consultant/Analyst: <input type="checkbox"/> CV attached		HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text" value="3.9%"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CV provided within previous 24 months		

Statement of Fees Being Claimed					
	Hours	Hourly Rate	Subtotal	HST	Total
Pre-hearing Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technical Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interrogatories					
Preparation	11.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 3,630.00	\$ 143.02	\$ 3,773.02
Responses	2.5	\$ 330.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 32.51	\$ 857.51
Issues Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation	11.0	\$ 330.00	\$ 3,630.00	\$ 143.02	\$ 3,773.02
Attendance	3.3	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,072.50	\$ 42.26	\$ 1,114.76
Proposal Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Argument					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management		\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 9,157.50	\$ 360.81	\$ 9,518.31

INVOICE #	HEARST0027						Mark C Garner
Date	June 1, 2021						647 Broadway
Client:	PIAC-VECC	EB-2020-0027					Toronto, On
File:	HEARST POWER DISTRIBUTION	EB-2020-0027					M4G 2S8
Period covering:	January 27, 2021 -	April 29, 2021					
Billable Hours	27.75	@	Rate	\$330.00	HRs	\$9,157.50	
Disbursements	N/A						n/a
Detail							
HST No.		@	Rate	13%	HST	\$1,190.48	
No. 87831 4327							
RT001							
Total							\$10,347.98

TERM: Payable upon receipt of payment from the client net of service charges

Please make amounts payable to Mark C. Garner.

Date	Hrs	Code	Description
January 27, 2021	0.50	IRP	Initial review/intervention/amendment Feb 3
January 19, 2021	1.50	IRP	IR Review and notes
January 21, 2021	3.00	IRP	IR Review and notes
January 22, 2021	6.00	IRP	IR Review and notes
April 2, 2021	2.50	IRR	Review IR Responses
April 3, 2021	8.50	ADP	Final review or IR - ADR notes/see BH
April 5, 2021	2.25	ADA	Day 1 ADR 9:30-1pm/1hr lunch/1:45-2:45/end - response offer next 50% share with BH
April 6, 2021	1.00	ADA	9:30-10:30/11:30-12 50% share with BH
April 22, 2021	1.25	ADP	ADR First Review
April 24, 2021	0.25	ADP	Check of all comments/staff
April 26, 2021	0.25	ADP	Interim Rate Discussion
April 29, 2021	0.75	ADP	ADR Final Check
TOTAL	27.75		