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August 3, 2021

VIA E-MAIL – 9 pages
PIAC File # 6877

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

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: OEB - EB 2020-0133 – Consultation on the Deferral Account
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.

Thank you.

Donna Brady
Office Administrator

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR CONSULTATIONS



Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

This form should be used by a party (defined in the Practice Direction on Cost Awards as including a participant in a consultation process) in a consultation 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 Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards. Please ensure all required 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 present in the document to assist with the calculation of the cost claim.
- All claims must be in Canadian dollars. If applicable, state exchange rate and country of initial currency.
Rate: _____ Country: _____
- A separate "Statement of Disbursements Being Claimed" is required for each consultant or lawyer/articling student/paralegal. However only one "Statement of Fees Being Claimed" and one "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed" 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 must be attached unless, for a given consultant, a CV has been provided to the Board in another process within the last 24 months.
- Except as provided in section 7.03 of the Practice Direction on Cost Awards, itemized receipts must be provided.

File # **EB- 2020-0133**

Process: **Consultation on the Deferral Account –**

Party: **Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition**

Affiant's Name: **Donna Brady**

HST Number: **13059 2405 RT 0001**

HST Rate Ontario: **3.9%**

Full Registrant ☐

Qualifying Non-Profit ☒

Unregistered ☐


Tax Exempt ☐

Other ☐

Affidavit

I, **Donna Brady**, of the City/Town of **Ottawa**
in the Province/State of **Ottawa-Carleton**, 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 of Fees Being Claimed" and "Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed".
3. The attached "Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed", "Statement 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

Aug 5 3-2021
(date)


Commissioner for taking Affidavits

Ontario Energy Board
COST CLAIM FOR CONSULTATIONS
Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements



File # EB- 2020-0133 Process: Consultation on the Deferral Account – Impacts /

Party: Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

Legal/consultant fees	\$20,542.50
Disbursements	\$0.00
HST	\$809.37
Total Cost Claim	\$21,351.87

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Public Interest Advocacy Centre

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

Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

Statement of Fees Being Claimed

Statement of Fees being claimed for Eligible Activity is found on the third tab of this workbook.

Statement(s) of Disbursements Being Claimed

Statement of Disbursements being claimed is found on the fourth tab of this workbook.

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COST CLAIM FOR CONSULTATIONS

Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

Individual Whose Costs are Being Claimed

Name: Mark Garner

Counsel/Articling Student/Paralegal: ☐

Analyst/Consultant: ☒

CV attached: ☐

Year Called
to Bar

CV not required: ☒

Completed Years
Practicing/Years of Relevant
Experience

31

Name: William Harper

Counsel/Articling Student/Paralegal: ☐

Analyst/Consultant: ☒

CV attached: ☐

Year Called
to Bar

CV not required: ☒

Completed Years
Practicing/Years of relevant
experience

38

Name: _____

Counsel/Articling Student/Paralegal: ☐

Analyst/Consultant: ☐

CV attached: ☐

Year Called
to Bar

CV not required: ☐

Completed Years
Practicing/Years of relevant
experience

Name: _____

Counsel/Articling Student/Paralegal: ☐

Analyst/Consultant: ☐

CV attached: ☐

Year Called
to Bar

CV not required: ☐

Completed Years
Practicing/Years of relevant
experience

Name: _____

Counsel/Articling Student/Paralegal: ☐

Analyst/Consultant: ☐

CV attached: ☐

Year Called
to Bar

CV not required: ☐

Completed Years
Practicing/Years of relevant
experience

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COST CLAIM FOR CONSULTATIONS
Statement of Fees Being Claimed

File # EB- 2020-0133

Process Consultation on the Deferral Account –
Impacts Arising from the COVID-19
Emergency

Party Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

HST Rate: 4%

Individual Whose Fees are Being Claimed	Activity		Written comments on Draft Issues List
	Hours	Preparation for, and attendance at, the preliminary May 28, 2020 stakeholder meeting	Up to 18 hours
	Hourly rate	1.5 times actual meeting time, up to a total of 3.75 hours	
Mark Garner	\$330.00		13.50
William Harper	\$330.00	3.75	0.50

Total legal/consultant fees: \$21,351.87

<u>COST CLAIM DETAILS:</u>		<u>ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD</u>					
NAME:	BILL HARPER	HOURLY RATE:	\$330				
SERVICE:	CONSULTANT	YEARS EXPERIENCE:	40				
FILE #:	EB-2020-0133	PROCESS:	COVID DEFERRAL ACCOUNT CONSULTATION				
	<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	<u>COST CLAIM CATEGORY</u>	
ARGUMENT PREPARATION	10/06/2020	0.5	Review MG draft re Issues	\$ 330.00	\$ 165.00	Issue List Comments	
	14/01/2021	1	Intv. SH call	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	15/01/2021	1	Outline Sub. Issues	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	19/01/2021	2	Intv. SH call	\$ 330.00	\$ 660.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	20/01/2021	1	Review Subm Plan with MG	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	21/01/2021	6.00	Draft Subm	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,980.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	22/01/2021	0.75	Draft Subm	\$ 330.00	\$ 247.50	Staff Proposal Comments	
	24/01/2021	3.00	Edit Subm	\$ 330.00	\$ 990.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	25/01/2021	1.00	Edit Subm	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
OTHER CONFERENCES							
PREPARATION	28/12/2020	2.5	Review Consultant Reports	\$ 330.00	\$ 825.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
	13/01/2021	0.5	Webinar prep	\$ 330.00	\$ 165.00	Staff Proposal Comments	
ATTENDANCE	14/01/2021	1.25	Attend Webinar	\$ 330.00	\$ 412.50	Staff Proposal Comments	
SUB-TOTAL		20.50			\$6,765.00		
HST (13%)					\$879.45		
TOTAL					\$7,644.45		

WILLIAM O. HARPER

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

TELEPHONE: 905-883-1727

Email: bharper.consultant@bell.net

August 3, 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. 2021018

For Professional Services rendered re: VECC's participation in EB-2020-0133
(OEB's COVID Deferral Account Consultation)

Services (see attached)	\$	6,765.00
HST (13%)	\$	879.45
TOTAL	\$	7644.45

PAYABLE TO: WILLIAM HARPER

HST/GST Registration #81998 6902 RT00001

INVOICE #	OEBCOVID133					Mark C Garner	
Date	August 3, 2021					647 Broadway	
Client:	PIAC-VECC					Toronto, On	
File:	OEB COVID 19 ACCOUNT					M4G 2S8	
Period covering:	May 27, 2021 - June 17, 2021						
Billable Hours	41.75	@	Rate	\$330.00	HRs	\$13,777.50	
Disbursements	N/A					n/a	
Detail							
HST No.		@	Rate	13%	HST	\$1,791.08	
No. 87831 4327 RT001							
Total						\$15,568.58	

TERM: Payable upon receipt of payment from the client net of service charges
Please make amounts payable to Mark C. Garner.

Detailed Dockets OEB Covid-19 Deferral EB-2020-0133

May 27, 2020	1.00	OCP	Prepare for teleconference
May 28, 2020	2.75	OCA	Attend teleconference 9:30-12:15 + notes after
June 5, 2020	2.00	ICP (Issues List)	Read Board Letter Re June 4 - teleconference with Intervenor 2-3:30 - discuss issues list
June 9, 2020	4.75	ICP (Issues List)	1st draft of Issues list submission for PIAC circulation
June 10, 2020	5.25	ICP (Issues List)	2nd draft of submission for PIAC
June 11, 2020	1.50	ICP (Issues List)	Final Draft of Issues List submission reviewed by PIAC
Jan 12, 2021	2.00	OCP	Review LEI Background papers
Jan 13, 2021	3.00	OCP	Review LEI papers, Staff Proposal/BH Notes/ research prep question for Conference
Jan 14, 2021	2.50	OCA	Board Tech Conference 10:30-2:45 / 30 min lunch with BH
January 19, 2021	1.50	ARG	Review BH notes/Covid intervenor zoom
January 20, 2021	1.00	ARG	Zoom meeting with BH on paper plan
January 21, 2021	2.00	ARG	1st argument outline to BH for coordination
January 22, 2021	1.75	ARG	Begin draft - review BH Table edits for JL at PIAC -send with msg
January 23, 2021	4.75	ARG	Complete 1st draft - send to BH at 11:15pm
January 24, 2021	2.25	ARG	Revise 1st draft to incorporate BH comments
January 25, 2021	3.00	ARG	Revise draft incorporate BH and JL edits and finalize and file
February 5, 2021	0.25	ARG	Review Submissions -
June 17, 2021	0.50	ARG	Review Board Decision - report
TOTAL	41.75		