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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2021-0110

HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.

**2023-2027 Joint Distribution and
Transmission Rates Application**

Stakeholder Conference on Draft Hearing Plan

By Delegation, Before: Theodore Antonopoulos
Vice President
Applications Division

September 29, 2021

OVERVIEW

On [July 23, 2021](#), the OEB announced that it would hold a pre-application stakeholder conference on August 12, 2021 to receive input on OEB staff's draft hearing plan for Hydro One Networks Inc.'s (Hydro One) upcoming 2023-2027 joint distribution and transmission rates application.

The OEB determined that the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), Anwaatin Inc. (Anwaatin), Arbourbrook Owners Association (AOA), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Distributed Resource Coalition (DRC), Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe), London Property Management Association (LPMA), Pollution Probe, School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) would be eligible for an award of costs for participation in this conference (eligible participants).

On August 10, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision on Cost Eligibility, in which it set out the process for eligible participants to file their cost claims, for Hydro One to raise any objections to the claims, and for eligible participants to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One.

The OEB received cost claims by the due date from Anwaatin, CCC, DRC, Energy Probe, LPMA, Pollution Probe, SEC and VECC. AMPCO filed its cost claim on August 30, 2021. The OEB accepts AMPCO's cost claim notwithstanding the late filing. AOA did not file a cost claim. No objections to the cost claims were received from Hydro One.

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 that filed cost claims are eligible for 100% of their reasonably incurred costs of participating in this conference. The OEB finds that the claims are reasonable and each of these claims shall be reimbursed by Hydro One.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One Networks Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the eligible participants for their costs:

• Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$745.80
• Anwaatin Inc.	\$559.35
• Consumers Council of Canada	\$745.80
• Distributed Resource Coalition	\$364.99
• Energy Probe Research Foundation	\$702.90
• London Property Management Association	\$671.22
• Pollution Probe	\$745.80
• School Energy Coalition	\$519.80
• Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$686.00

2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One Networks Inc. shall pay any OEB costs of, and incidental to, this conference immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto September 29, 2021

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Original signed by

Theodore Antonopoulos
Vice President
Applications Division