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November 23, 2021 Our File: EB20210039

Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attn: Christine Long, Registrar

Dear Ms. Long:

## Re: EB-2021-0039 – Lakefront 2022 Rates – SEC Cost Claim

We are counsel to the School Energy Coalition ("SEC"). Enclosed please find SEC's cost claim in this matter on the Board's form with accompanying detailed dockets.

This was a rebasing application for a fairly small utility that is not experiencing significant problems. It was settled in full after a fairly short ADR. Preparation of the Settlement Agreement was a little longer than normal due to some technical issues that needed to be addressed during the process.

Senior counsel Jay Shepherd took the lead on this matter. This was one of the first cases in which new lawyer Fred Zheng was involved. SEC has reviewed his 72.1 hours docketed, and determined that only 14.0 hours were incremental and of value to the process. The rest have been treated as learning time. In addition, SEC has reduced Jay Shepherd's hours by 5.7, from 52.1 to 45.4 hours, reflecting time spent on teaching activities that should not be recoverable from the Applicant.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

**Shepherd Rubenstein Professional Corporation** 

Jay Shepherd

cc: Ted Doherty, SEC (by email) Interested Parties (by email) EB-2021-0039: 1: Glenda Masters

**CLAIM STATUS** SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE **COST CLAIM NUMBER** Submitted

November 25, 2021 18

EB# OTHER EB#S PHASE #\*

EB-2021-0039: Rates: Distribution: Lakefront

Utilities Inc.

INTERVENOR COMPANY\*

**INTERVENOR** INTERVENOR TYPE School Energy Coalition, Toronto: Masters, Glenda; +1 (416) 483-3300 Corporation Full Registrant Glenda@shepherdrubenstein.com

HST RATE ONTARIO **EXCHANGE RATE** COUNTRY 13.00

Canada

LATE SUBMISSION ALLOWED EXTENSION DEADLINE DATE HST NUMBER

83673 5464 RT0001

**PARTICIPANTS** 

Participant Total (\$) Claim Status New Non-Filing Participant First, Last Name **Filing Participant** No 16.929.66 Submitted Shepherd, Jay; +1 (416) 804-2767 jay@shepherdrubenstein.com 2,689.40 Submitted No Zheng, Fred; +1 (416) 483-0114 fred@shepherdrubenstein.com

**ATTACHMENTS** 

Attachment **Document** Claim **Import** Type Message Date Type **Attachment Participant** 

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TOTAL LEGAL/CONSULTANT/OTHER FEES TOTAL HST **TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS** 2,257.06 17,362.00 0.00

TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED **TOTAL CLAIM** 

19,619.06

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SUBMIT SECTION

I am a representative of the Party. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim. The costs incurred and time spent are directly related to the Party's participation in the OEB Process referred to above.

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 section 6.05 and 6.09 of the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The information (fees and disbursements) filed in this cost claim is complete and accurate and in accordance with the OEB's Practice Direction for Cost Awards and Appendix A, the Cost Awards Tariff.

SUBMITTED BY DATE SUBMITTED Glenda Masters November 23, 2021

## **Jay Shepherd**

CASE **COST CLAIM** 

EB-2021-0039: Rates:

Distribution: Lakefront Utilities

Inc.

EB-2021-0039:1: Glenda

Masters

**INTERVENOR NAME** 

Masters, Glenda; +1 (416)

483-3300

Glenda@shepherdrubenstein.com

**PARTICIPANT CLAIM STATUS** 

Submitted

**NON-FILING** NEW **NON-FILING FILING PARTICIPANT** 

Shepherd, Jay; +1 (416) 804-2767 jay@shepherdrubenstein.com

**HEARINGS** 

**PARTICIPANT** No

**PARTICIPANT F. NAME** 

PARTICIPANT L. NAME

**SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE** YEAR CALLED TO BAR **COMPLETED YEARS HOURLY RATE** 330

Legal Counsel 1980 PRACTICING/YEARS OF

**RELEVANT EXPERIENCE** 

41

**CV STATUS (FOR HST RATE** CONSULTANT/ANALYST) **LAST CV DATE CHARGED** 13.00

**CV** Required

No

**CONSULTATIONS DISBURSEMENTS** 

No Yes

<u>Name</u>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Hourly Rate</b>	Sub Total	<b>HST Rate</b>	<u>HST</u>	<u>Total</u>
Review Application and Evidence						
Review Application and Evidence	12.10	330	3,993.00	13.00	519.09	4,512.09
Discovery						
Preparation of Interrogatories	8.00	330	2,640.00	13.00	343.20	2,983.20
Review Interrogatory Responses	4.60	330	1,518.00	13.00	197.34	1,715.34
Technical Conference Preparation		330		13.00		
Technical Conference Attendance		330		13.00		
Technical Conference Follow Up		330		13.00		
Issues List						
Preparation	0.30	330	99.00	13.00	12.87	111.87
Attendance at Issues Conference		330		13.00		
Intervenor Evidence						
Preparation		330		13.00		
Interrogatory Responses		330		13.00		
Preparation of Witness(es) for Attendance		330		13.00		
at Hearing						
Settlement Conference / ADR						
Preparation	6.00	330	1,980.00	13.00	257.40	2,237.40
Attendance	8.00	330	2,640.00	13.00	343.20	2,983.20
Preparation of Settlement Proposal	6.00	330	1,980.00	13.00	257.40	2,237.40
Attendance at Presentation to Panel		330		13.00		
Oral Hearing						
Preparation		330		13.00		
Attendance at Oral Hearing		330		13.00		
Submissions						
Written Submissions		330		13.00		
Oral Submissions		330		13.00		
Attendance at Oral Submissions		330		13.00		
Other Attendance						
Other Attendance		330		13.00		
Communication						
With Client		330		13.00		
With Other Parties		330		13.00		
Motions						
Preparation of Motion(s) Materials		330		13.00		
Prepare Submissions on the Motion(s)		330		13.00		
Attendance at Hearing on Motion(s)		330		13.00		
Confidentiality						

Preparation of Application for		330		13.00		
Confidentiality						
Prepare Submissions on Confidentiality		330		13.00		
Attendance at Hearing on Confidentiality		330		13.00		
Decision						
Review	0.40	330	132.00	13.00	17.16	149.16
Rate Order						
Review		330		13.00		
Prepare Submission on Rate Order		330		13.00		
Total Service Provider Fees						
Total Service Provider Fees:			14,982.00		1,947.66	16,929.66

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Hearings, Consultations, Disbursements Attachments

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Date	Explanation	Lwyr	Hours
	Edit NOI, Various emails	JCS	0.4
	Review of evidence	JCS	0.7
	Various emails	JCS	0.1
	Get Exhibit 2 and commence review	JCS	0.4
	Review evidence	JCS	1
-	Review evidence, Research	JCS	2
	Review evidence, Meet with Fred	JCS	1.2
	Review PO #1 and scheduling	JCS	0.3
	Many emails	JCS	0.3
-		+	0.1
	Various emails Many emails, Submissions on issues	JCS JCS	0.1
	Many emails re procedure, Reviewing evidence	JCS	1.2
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
		+	
	Review evidence	JCS	2.5
	Many emails, Scheduling	JCS	0.2
	Telephone conversation with Mark R, Many emails, Review evidence	JCS	1.8
20210630	Review evidence, Drafting interrogatories, Review issues list decision, Many emails, Review	JCS	3.3
20240704	Board letter and scheduling	100	
20210/01	Review Fred's interrogatories, Many emails, Revising interrogatories and comments, Revise	JCS	6
	comparison spreadsheet and update parameters		
	Various emails, Review Staff interrogatories	JCS	0.3
	Review final IRs, Review interrogatories of others, Many emails	JCS	0.4
	Review letter from company, Various emails	JCS	0.1
	Review Board letter and scheduling	JCS	0.1
	Many emails, ADR Guidelines for Fred	JCS	0.3
	Initial review of interrogatory responses	JCS	0.6
	Review interrogatory responses	JCS	1
	Review interrogatory responses, Review VECC questions, Review Fred's analysis	JCS	2.5
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Many emails, Review Staff questions	JCS	0.3
	Prep for ADR, Various emails	JCS	2.5
	Meet with Fred, Prep for ADR	JCS	4.1
	Attend at ADR, Many emails, Prep	JCS	6.5
	Attend at ADR, Many emails, Prep	JCS	4.3
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Many emails, Review letter	JCS	0.3
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
20210827	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
20210831	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Review agreement and provide comments	JCS	1.5
20210902	Many emails and comments from others	JCS	0.2
20210903	Review comments of others, Many emails	JCS	0.6
20210907	Review letter, Many emails	JCS	0.1
20210909	Review PO#2 and scheduling	JCS	0.1
20210910	Various emails	JCS	0.1
20210913	Many emails, Review new material	JCS	0.3
20210914	Review new draft and models, Many emails	JCS	2.1
20210916	Various emails	JCS	0.1
20210924	Review Board letter, Review Staff submission, Many emails	JCS	0.2
	Many emails, Review revised settlement proposal, Client reporting	JCS	0.4
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Many emails	JCS	0.1
	Review Staff letter	JCS	0.1
	Review decision and scheduling, Various emails	JCS	0.4
	· ·		52.1
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## Fred Zheng

CASE **COST CLAIM** 

EB-2021-0039:1: Glenda EB-2021-0039: Rates:

Distribution: Lakefront Utilities

Inc.

**INTERVENOR NAME** 

Masters, Glenda; +1 (416) Masters

483-3300

Glenda@shepherdrubenstein.com

**PARTICIPANT CLAIM STATUS** 

Submitted

**NON-FILING NON-FILING** 

1

**FILING PARTICIPANT PARTICIPANT PARTICIPANT F. NAME** PARTICIPANT L. NAME Zheng, Fred; +1 (416) 483-0114 No

**NEW** 

fred@shepherdrubenstein.com

**SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE** YEAR CALLED TO BAR Legal Counsel

2020

**COMPLETED YEARS** PRACTICING/YEARS OF **RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**  **HOURLY RATE** 

170

**CV STATUS (FOR HST RATE** CONSULTANT/ANALYST) **LAST CV DATE CHARGED CV** Required 13.00

**HEARINGS CONSULTATIONS DISBURSEMENTS** 

No No Yes

HEARINGS						
<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<b>Hourly Rate</b>	Sub Total	HST Rate	<u>HST</u>	<u>Total</u>
Review Application and Evidence						
Review Application and Evidence		170		13.00		
Discovery						
Preparation of Interrogatories	5.00	170	850.00	13.00	110.50	960.50
Review Interrogatory Responses	5.00	170	850.00	13.00	110.50	960.50
Technical Conference Preparation		170		13.00		
Technical Conference Attendance		170		13.00		
Technical Conference Follow Up		170		13.00		
Issues List						
Preparation		170		13.00		
Attendance at Issues Conference		170		13.00		
Intervenor Evidence						
Preparation		170		13.00		
Interrogatory Responses		170		13.00		
Preparation of Witness(es) for Attendance		170		13.00		
at Hearing						
Settlement Conference / ADR						
Preparation	3.00	170	510.00	13.00	66.30	576.30
Attendance		170		13.00		
Preparation of Settlement Proposal	1.00	170	170.00	13.00	22.10	192.10
Attendance at Presentation to Panel		170		13.00		
Oral Hearing						
Preparation		170		13.00		
Attendance at Oral Hearing		170		13.00		
Submissions						
Written Submissions		170		13.00		
Oral Submissions		170		13.00		
Attendance at Oral Submissions		170		13.00		
Other Attendance						
Other Attendance		170		13.00		
Communication						
With Client		170		13.00		
With Other Parties		170		13.00		
Motions						
Preparation of Motion(s) Materials		170		13.00		
Prepare Submissions on the Motion(s)		170		13.00		
Attendance at Hearing on Motion(s)		170		13.00		
Confidentiality						

Preparation of Application for	170	13.00		
Confidentiality				
Prepare Submissions on Confidentiality	170	13.00		
Attendance at Hearing on Confidentiality	170	13.00		
Decision				
Review	170	13.00		
Rate Order				
Review	170	13.00		
Prepare Submission on Rate Order	170	13.00		
Total Service Provider Fees				
Total Service Provider Fees:	2,380.00		309.40	2,689.40

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Date	Explanation	Lwyr	Hours
20210519	Review NOI, Review email instruction	FZ	0.3
20210602	Discuss with Jay regarding Exhibit 1	FZ	1
20210604	Analyze Exhibit 1 and consult Handbook on Utilities Rate Application	FZ	1.5
20210611	Review Exhibit 1 and notes from discussion with Jay	FZ	0.8
20210614	Analyze Exhibit 1 and provide comments	FZ	0.8
20210615	Review Exhibit 1, Analyze and calculate increase in OM&A and Retrun of Capital	FZ	4.1
20210616	Zoom w. Jay re: LUI evidence review instructions, Review Exhibit 1, 2 and 4	FZ	2.4
20210618	Review Exhibit 1 and 2, Research financial statement of LUI, Review email	FZ	2.1
20210621	Discussion w Jay re interrogatories, issue list and PO#1, Review OEB issues	FZ	0.6
20210622	Review emails on issues list	FZ	0.1
	Review emails, Staff draft issues list and Exhibit 1	FZ	2.7
		FZ	2.7
	on Utility Rate Applications	. –	_
20210625	Draft IR for Exhibit 1 and draft IR for Exhibit 2, Review emails and the Issues	FZ	4.7
	List	. –	
20210628	Consult Rate Application Handbook, Analyze Exhibit 2, Draft IR, Review	FZ	2.1
	email		
20210629	Analyze Exhibit 2, 4 and 5, Draft IR	FZ	7.2
	Analyze Exhibit 4,5,7,8 and 9, Draft IR, Email w. Jay, Review OEB email	FZ	10.3
20210701	Draft and edit interrogatories	FZ	2.4
	Edit interrogatories, communication with Jay	FZ	0.3
	Preliminary review of VECC, NHH, CTA and Energy Probe interrogatories	FZ	0.4
20210723	Many emails	FZ	0.2
	Review assignment instruction from Jay	FZ	0.1
	Analyze LUI interrogatories response	FZ	3.1
	Review interrogatory responses and other evidence, ADR preparation	FZ	7.7
20210804	Review clarification questions of VECC	FZ	0.2
	Meeting with Jay, preparation for ADR	FZ	1.5
	Preparation and Attending Hearing	FZ	6.5
	Attend Hearing	FZ	4.5
	Many emails	FZ	0.3
20210913	Many emails	FZ	0.5
	Review emails	FZ	0.2
	Review settlement proposal	FZ	0.2
	Review email and settlement proposal	FZ	0.5
	Many emails	FZ	0.2
	Many emails	FZ	0.2
	Review revised Settlement Proposal	FZ	0.2
			71.9
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