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January 6, 2022

**OEB VIA – RESS
Applicant VIA - EMAIL**

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

PIAC File # 6897

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: EB-2021-0011 – Canadian Niagara Power Inc.
Cost Claim Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

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

We have also directed a copy to the Applicant as well as their Counsel via email.

Thank you.

Donna Brady
Office Administrator

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Donna Brady', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Cc: CNPI – Trevor Wilde – regulatoryaffairs@fortisontario.com
Counsel – 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>2021-0011</u>	Process: <u>Canadian Niagara Power Inc.</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"/> Unregistered <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Qualifying Non-Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Exempt <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 JANUARY 6 - 2022
(date)

Commissioner for taking Affidavits

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Affidavit and Summary of Fees and Disbursements

File # EB- 2021-0011 Process: Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

Party: Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition

Summary of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

Legal/consultant/other fees	\$	19,470.00
Disbursements	\$	-
HST	\$	767.12
Total Cost Claim	\$	20,237.12

Payment Information

Make cheque payable to: Public Interest Advocacy Centre

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

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- <u>2021-0011</u>	Process: <u>Canadian Niagara Power Inc.</u>
Party: <u>Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>William Harper</u>
SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)	Year Called to Bar
Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience: <input type="text" value="38"/>
Analyst <input type="checkbox"/>	Hourly Rate: <input type="text" value="\$330"/>
For Consultant/Analyst: <input type="checkbox"/> CV attached	HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input 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	4.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 52.01	\$ 1,372.01
Responses		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Issues Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation	8.25	\$ 330.00	\$ 2,722.50	\$ 107.27	\$ 2,829.77
Attendance	7.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 2,310.00	\$ 91.01	\$ 2,401.01
Proposal Preparation	2.50	\$ 330.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 32.51	\$ 857.51
Argument					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation	0.50	\$ 330.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 6.50	\$ 171.50
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 7,342.50	\$ 289.29	\$ 7,631.79

<u>COST CLAIM DETAILS:</u>		<u>ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD</u>				
NAME:	BILL HARPER	HOURLY RATE:		\$330		
SERVICE:	CONSULTANT	YEARS EXPERIENCE:		40		
FILE #:	EB-2021-0011	PROCESS:	CNPI			
			2022 COS APPLICATION			
	<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE</u>	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	
INTERROGATORIES						
PREPARATION	19/08/2021	0.50	Draft IRs	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
	20/08/2021	0.50	Draft IRs	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
	22/08/2021	2.50	Draft IRs	\$330.00	\$ 825.00	
	04/09/2021	0.50	Review Staff IRs/Revise	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
ADR-SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE						
PREPARATION	29/09/2021	4.00	Review IRR/ADR Prep	\$330.00	\$ 1,320.00	
	30/09/2021	2.75	ADR Prep/Clar. Quest.	\$330.00	\$ 907.50	
	01/10/2021	0.25	Finalize Clar. Quest.	\$330.00	\$ 82.50	
	08/10/2021	0.50	Review Clar. Quest. Resp	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
	11/10/2021	0.25	Review Clar. Quest. Resp	\$330.00	\$ 82.50	
	12/10/2021	0.50	ADR Prep	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
ATTENDANCE	12/10/2021	3.50	Attend - Split with MG	\$330.00	\$ 1,155.00	
	13/10/2021	1.50	Attend - Split with MG	\$330.00	\$ 495.00	
	14/10/2021	2.00	Attend - Split with MG	\$330.00	\$ 660.00	
SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL	15/11/2021	0.50	Review SP Draft #1	\$330.00	\$ 165.00	
	16/11/2021	0.25	Review SP Draft #1	\$330.00	\$ 82.50	
	16/11/2021	1.75	Call with CNPI&Interv.	\$330.00	\$ 577.50	
OTHER CONFERENCES						
PREPARATION	16/08/2021	0.50	Issues List Review	\$330.00	\$165.00	
SUB-TOTAL		22.25			\$7,342.50	
HST (13%)					\$954.53	
TOTAL					\$8,297.03	

WILLIAM O. HARPER

107 BAKER AVE, RICHMOND HILL

ONTARIO L4C 1X5

TELEPHONE: 905-883-1727

Email: bharper.consultant@bell.net

January 4, 2022

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. 2022002

For Professional Services rendered re: VECC's participation in EB-2021-0011
(CNPI 2022 Rates)

Services (see attached)	\$	7,342.50
HST (13%)	\$	954.53
TOTAL	\$	8,297.03

PAYABLE TO: WILLIAM HARPER

HST/GST Registration #81998 6902 RT00001

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Detail of Fees and Disbursements Being Claimed

File # EB- <u>2021-0011</u>	Process: <u>Canadian Niagara Power Inc.</u>
Party: <u>Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition</u>	Service Provider Name: <u>Mark Garner</u>
SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE (check one)	Year Called to Bar
Legal Counsel <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Articling Student/Paralegal <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
Analyst <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>
For Consultant/Analyst: <input type="checkbox"/> CV attached	Completed Years Practising/Years of Relevant Experience: <input type="text" value="31"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CV provided within previous 24 months	Hourly Rate: <input type="text" value="\$330"/>
	HST Rate Charged (enter %): <input type="text" value="3.9%"/>

Statement of Fees Being Claimed					
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Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Technical Conference					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interrogatories					
Preparation	13.50	\$ 330.00	\$ 4,455.00	\$ 175.53	\$ 4,630.53
Responses	6.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 1,980.00	\$ 78.01	\$ 2,058.01
Issues Conference					
Preparation	0.25	\$ 330.00	\$ 82.50	\$ 3.25	\$ 85.75
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
ADR - Settlement Conference					
Preparation	9.75	\$ 330.00	\$ 3,217.50	\$ 126.77	\$ 3,344.27
Attendance	7.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 2,310.00	\$ 91.01	\$ 2,401.01
Proposal Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Argument					
Preparation	0.25	\$ 330.00	\$ 82.50	\$ 3.25	\$ 85.75
Oral Hearing					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Conferences					
Preparation		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Attendance		\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Case Management			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES			\$ 12,127.50	\$ 477.82	\$ 12,605.32

INVOICE #	CNPI0011						Mark C Garner
Date	January 4, 2021						647 Broadway
Client:	PIAC-VECC						Toronto, On
File:	CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER	EB-2021-0011					M4G 2S8
Period covering:	July 23, 2021 to December 17, 2021						
Billable Hours	36.75	@	Rate	\$330.00	HRs	\$12,127.50	
Disbursements Detail	N/A					n/a	
HST No. No. 87831 43xx		@	Rate	13%	HST	\$1,576.58	
Total						\$13,704.08	

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

Please make amounts payable to Mark C. Garner.

**Detailed Dockets
CNPI EB-2021-0011**

Date	Hrs	Code	Description
July 23, 2021	0.50	IRP	Intervention - Initial Rview
August 16, 2021	0.25	ICP	Issues List Comments - email
September 5, 2021	1.50	IRP	Review Application - interrogatories
September 6, 2021	5.50	IRP	Review Application - interrogatories
September 7, 2021	6.00	IRP	Review Applications - interrogatories 10:30-5pm
October 8, 2021	6.00	IRR	Review of IR Responses - notes for ADR
October 9, 2021	1.50	ADP	ADR Notes Preparation
October 11, 2021	4.50	ADP	Finalize ADR Notes
October 12, 2021	3.50	ADA	ADR Day 1 9:30 - 5:15 (45 min lunch) = 7hrs 50% Charge with BH
October 13, 2021	1.50	ADA	ADR Day 2 1:30 - 5pm (30m break) = 3hrs 50% charge with BH
October 14, 2021	2.00	ADA	ADR Day 3 10:30-12:30/ 2:30-4:30=4hrs 50% BH
November 2, 2021	0.50	ADP	Review 1st Draft - not models
November 3, 2021	0.25	ADP	Review Models - Staff comments
November 15, 2021	0.75	ADP	Review 2nd draft of agreement - emails on issues
November 17, 2021	2.00	ADP	Call on agreement 1pm- 4:45
November 19, 2021	0.25	ADP	Final Review of Agreement
November 30, 2021	0.25	ARG	Review of Staff Submission
TOTAL	36.75		