

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS EB-2021-0015

ELEXICON ENERGY INC.

Application for rates and other charges beginning January 1, 2022

BEFORE: Allison Duff Presiding Commissioner

> Patrick Moran Commissioner

January 31, 2022

OVERVIEW

Elexicon Energy filed an incentive rate-setting mechanism application with the OEB on August 18, 2021, seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates to be effective January 1, 2022.

The OEB granted the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation (MSIFN), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On December 16, 2021, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from CCC, SEC and VECC. By e-mail, MSIFN stated that they would not file a cost claim. No objections to the cost claims were received from Elexicon Energy.

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 approves CCC and VECC's cost claims as filed. The OEB is reducing SEC's cost claim by \$1,973.92, approving a cost award of \$7,500 including HST.

SEC's cost claim was double the individual claims filed by the other intervenors. The OEB finds the value of SEC's intervention to the OEB's decision making process was not significantly higher than the value of the other interventions, in a proceeding where the issues were not complex.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Elexicon Energy Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

•	Consumers Council of Canada	\$5,034.15
•	School Energy Coalition	\$7,500.00
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$4,716.28

DATED at Toronto January 31, 2022

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi Acting Registrar