

# DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

### EB-2021-0041

## LONDON HYDRO INC.

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges beginning May 1, 2022

BEFORE: Michael Janigan Presiding Commissioner

> Patrick Moran Commissioner

Anthony Zlahtic Commissioner

March 25, 2022

#### OVERVIEW

London Hydro Inc. (London Hydro) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 30, 2021, seeking approval for changes to the rates that London Hydro charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2022.

The OEB granted Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation with Southwind Development Corporation (CKSPFN - Southwind), Consumers Council of Canada (CCC), Environmental Defence, London Property Management Association (LPMA), School Energy Coalition (SEC) and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On February 24, 2022, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from CKSPFN – Southwind, CCC, Environmental Defence, LPMA, SEC and VECC. No objections were received.

#### Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB approves the cost claims as submitted. The OEB finds that the cost claims of CKSPFN – Southwind, CCC, Environmental Defence, LPMA, SEC and VECC are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by London Hydro. The OEB notes that intervenors should document and record time spent in various representative activities in symmetry with the column categories and not combine hours in different categories in their docketed time. As well, the OEB notes that it is sometimes helpful, particularly in proceedings that have resulted in a settlement proposal, to have a description of the participation of the claimant set out in the covering letter.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

•	Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation with Southwind	
	Development Corporation	\$5,610.00
•	Consumers Council of Canada	\$25,543.65
•	Environmental Defence	\$9,321.37
•	London Property Management Association	\$26,662.35
•	School Energy Coalition	\$22,670.06
•	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$32,499.44

**DATED** at Toronto March 25, 2022

#### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi Registrar