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## **DECISION ON COST ELIGIBILITY**

EB-2022-0267

Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements Consultation

By Delegation Before: Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

November 23, 2022

## OVERVIEW

On October 24, 2022, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued a <u>letter</u> to initiate a consultation on the Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements for Ontario's licensed electricity distributors. The letter indicated that cost awards would be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, which will be paid for by licensed electricity distributors. The letter made provision for stakeholders to apply for eligibility and for electricity distributors to object.

The following organizations applied for cost award eligibility:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario
- Pollution Probe
- School Energy Coalition
- Consumers Council of Canada
- Building Owners and Managers Association
- Environmental Defense

No objections were received in relation to these requests for cost award eligibility.

## **OEB FINDINGS**

The OEB has determined that all six organizations are eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The OEB further notes that cost-award eligible participants with similar viewpoints should coordinate their activities in order to reduce costs. Such efforts will be taken into account by the OEB during the decision on award of costs.

The OEB reminds participants that cost awards will be available to eligible participants for participation in the initial stakeholder meeting to a maximum of actual meeting time plus 50% of meeting time for preparation and reporting.

DATED at Toronto November 23, 2022

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