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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2022-0317

ELEXICON ENERGY INC.

**Z-Factor application for rates and other charges to be effective
July 1, 2023**

BEFORE: Pankaj Sardana
Presiding Commissioner

Michael Janigan
Commissioner

David Sword
Commissioner

August 25, 2023

OVERVIEW

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to an Elexicon Energy Inc. (Elexicon Energy) proceeding.

On December 9, 2022, Elexicon Energy filed a Z-Factor application with the OEB, requesting recovery of costs associated with the restoration of electricity service to its customers from a major windstorm that occurred on May 21, 2022.

The OEB granted the Power Workers' Union and Vulnerable Energy Coalition (VECC) intervenor status in this proceeding. Cost award eligibility was granted to VECC.

On June 15, 2023, the OEB issued its Decision and Order on Elexicon Energy's Z-Factor request followed by a Final Rate Order on July 6, 2023, in which it set out the process for cost claims. Cost claims were due no later than July 13, 2023.

By letter dated July 10, 2023, VECC requested an extension to the deadline date for filing cost claims. VECC noted the reason for the extension is due to summer holiday conflicts and the closing of the Public Interest Advocacy Centre office during the first two weeks in July. On July 11, 2023, the OEB granted an extension to July 19, 2023, for VECC to file its cost claim.

No objection to VECC's cost claim, filed on July 10, 2023, was 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 finds that VECC's cost claim to be reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Elexicon Energy.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Elexicon Energy shall immediately pay the following amount for costs:
 - Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition \$4,373.27

DATED at Toronto August 25, 2023

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi
Registrar