Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2007-0755

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2008.

BEFORE: Gordon Kaiser

Vice Chair and Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin

Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Chapleau Public Utilities Corporation ("Chapleau PUC") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on November 22, 2007, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Chapleau PUC charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2008.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") received intervenor status and was deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on June 2, 2008, in which it set out the process for VECC to file its cost claim and to respond to any objections raised by Chapleau PUC.

The Board received a cost claim from VECC. No comments were received from Chapleau PUC.

The Board finds that VECC is eligible for 100% of its reasonably incurred costs of participating in this proceeding. The Board finds that VECC's claim is reasonable and should be reimbursed by Chapleau PUC.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Chapleau PUC shall immediately pay VECC \$6,756.25.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Chapleau PUC shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, September 15, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

John Pickernell
Assistant Board Secretary