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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2023-0052

SYNERGY NORTH CORPORATION

Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges
beginning May 1, 2024

BEFORE: **David Sword**
Presiding Commissioner

Robert Dodds
Commissioner

April 25, 2024

OVERVIEW

Synergy North Corporation (Synergy North) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 16, 2023, under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Synergy North charges for electricity distribution, beginning May 1, 2024.

The OEB granted School Energy Coalition (SEC), Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC), Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO) and Consumers Council of Canada (CCC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On March 28, 2024, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from SEC, VECC, AMPCO, and CCC. No objections to the cost claims were received from Synergy North.

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 the cost claims are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Synergy North.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

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

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| • School Energy Coalition | \$ 20,317.40 |
| • Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition | \$ 27,182.89 |
| • Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario | \$ 18,551.78 |
| • Consumers Council of Canada | \$ 11,000.55 |

DATED at Toronto April 25, 2024

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Nancy Marconi
Registrar