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May 7, 2024

OEB VIA – RESS

Ms. Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON
M4P 1E4

PIAC File # 7029

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: OEB EB 2023-0058 Westario Power Inc.
Cost Claim Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)**

On behalf of the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) we have enclosed VECC cost claim with respect to the above-noted proceeding.

We have also directed a copy to the Applicant as well as their Counsel via email.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Donna Brady', is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp or watermark.

Donna Brady
Office Administrator

Cc: Westario – Walter Malcolm – regulatory@westariopower.com
Counsel – Michael Buonaguro – mrb@mrb-law.com

EB-2023-0058 : 1 : Donna Brady

COST CLAIM NUMBER
2102

SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE
May 10, 2024

CLAIM STATUS
Approved by Finance

EB#
EB-2023-0058: Rates: Distribution: Westario
Power Inc.

OTHER EB#S

PHASE #*
1

INTERVENOR
Brady, Donna; +1 (613) 562-4002 x.121
dbrady@piac.ca

INTERVENOR COMPANY*
Vulnerable Energy Consumers
Coalition, Toronto:

INTERVENOR TYPE
Qualifying Non-Profit

HST RATE ONTARIO
3.94

EXCHANGE RATE

COUNTRY

HST NUMBER
130592405RT0001

LATE SUBMISSION ALLOWED
No

EXTENSION DEADLINE DATE

PARTICIPANTS

New	Non-Filing Participant First, Last Name	Filing Participant	Total (\$)	Total Hours	Participant Claim Status
No	,	Harper, Bill; +1 (416) 348-0193 bharper.consultant@bell.net	6,088.28	17.75	Submitted
No	,	Garner , Mark; +1 (647) 408-4501 markgarner@rogers.com	10,118.56	29.50	Submitted

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment	Document Type	Import Message
Cover Letter EB 2023-0058.pdf	Cover Letter	
VECC EB-2023-0058 Cost Claim 050720240934.pdf		

TOTAL LEGAL/CONSULTANT/OTHER FEES
15,592.50

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
0.00

TOTAL HST
614.34

TOTAL CLAIM
16,206.84

TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED

TOTAL HOURS CLAIMED
47.25

TOTAL HOURS DISALLOWED

REASON FOR
DISALLOWANCE

REASON FOR
DISALLOWANCE - 2

REASON FOR
DISALLOWANCE - 3

MAKE CHEQUE PAYABLE TO
Public Interest Advocacy Centre

SEND PAYMENT TO ADDRESS
2-285 McLeod Street
Ottawa, ON
K2P1A1

ATTENTION
Donna Brady

SUBMIT SECTION

I am a representative of the Party. I have examined all of the documentation in support of this cost claim. The costs incurred and time spent are directly related to the Party's participation in the OEB Process referred to above.

This cost claim does not include any costs for work done, or time spent, by a person that is an employee or officer of the Party as described in section 6.05 and 6.09 of the OEB's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The information (fees and disbursements) filed in this cost claim is complete and accurate and in accordance with the OEB's Practice Direction for Cost Awards and Appendix A, the Cost Awards Tariff.

SUBMITTED BY
Donna Brady

DATE SUBMITTED
May 07, 2024

CASE EB-2023-0058: Rates: Distribution: Westario Power Inc.	COST CLAIM EB-2023-0058 : 1 : Donna Brady	INTERVENOR NAME Brady, Donna; +1 (613) 562-4002 x.121 dbrady@piac.ca	PARTICIPANT CLAIM STATUS Submitted
FILING PARTICIPANT Harper, Bill; +1 (416) 348-0193 bharper.consultant@bell.net	NEW PARTICIPANT No	NON-FILING PARTICIPANT F. NAME	NON-FILING PARTICIPANT L. NAME
SERVICE PROVIDER TYPE* Consultant	YEAR CALLED TO BAR*	COMPLETED YEARS PRACTICING/YEARS OF RELEVANT EXPERIENCE* 40	HOURLY RATE 330
HST RATE CHARGED* 3.94	CV STATUS (FOR CONSULTANT/ANALYST) CV Provided within Previous 24 Months	LAST CV DATE December 06, 2023	OVERRIDE HOURLY RATE No
HST NUMBER 130592405RT0001	HEARINGS Yes	CONSULTATIONS No	DISBURSEMENTS No

HEARINGS

Hearings Hours 17.75	Hearings Subtotal (\$) 5,857.50	Hearings Total Tax (\$) 230.78	Hearings Total (\$) 6,088.28
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Sub Total</u>	<u>HST Rate</u>	<u>HST</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISCOVERY						
Read and Research Application and Evidence	0.50	330	165.00	3.94	6.50	171.50
Preparation of Interrogatories	2.75	330	907.50	3.94	35.76	943.26
Review Interrogatory Responses	0.75	330	247.50	3.94	9.75	257.25
Technical Conference Preparation		330		3.94		
Technical Conference Attendance		330		3.94		
Technical Conference Follow-up		330		3.94		
Subtotal of DISCOVERY	4.00		1,320.00		52.01	1,372.01
PROCEDURAL						
Preparation of Issues List Submission	0.25	330	82.50	3.94	3.25	85.75
Attendance at Issues List Conference		330		3.94		
Preparation for a Confidentiality Request		330		3.94		
Prepare Submissions on Confidentiality		330		3.94		
Preparation of Motion(s) Materials		330		3.94		
Prepare Submissions on the Motion(s)		330		3.94		
Attendance at Hearing on Motion(s)		330		3.94		
Review Procedural Documents		330		3.94		

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Subtotal of PROCEDURAL	0.25		82.50		3.25	85.75
INTERVENOR EVIDENCE						
Preparation of Intervenor Evidence		330		3.94		
Interrogatory Responses		330		3.94		
Preparation of Witness(es) for Attendance at Hearing		330		3.94		
Subtotal of INTERVENOR EVIDENCE	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE						
Preparation for Settlement Conference	5.75	330	1,897.50	3.94	74.76	1,972.26
Attendance at Settlement Conference	5.75	330	1,897.50	3.94	74.76	1,972.26
Preparation of Settlement Proposal	1.75	330	577.50	3.94	22.75	600.25
Attendance at Presentation to Panel		330		3.94		
Subtotal of SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE	13.25		4,372.50		172.27	4,544.77
WRITTEN ARGUMENT						
Written Submissions		330		3.94		
Subtotal of WRITTEN ARGUMENT	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
ORAL ARGUMENT						
Preparation for Oral Hearing		330		3.94		
Attendance at Oral Hearing		330		3.94		
Oral Submissions		330		3.94		
Attendance at Oral Submissions		330		3.94		
Subtotal of ORAL ARGUMENT	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
DECISION						
Review Decision	0.25	330	82.50	3.94	3.25	85.75
Review Rate/Accounting Order		330		3.94		
Prepare Submission on Rate Order		330		3.94		
Subtotal of DECISION	0.25		82.50		3.25	85.75
OTHER						
Other Attendance (e.g., Intervenor Conferences)		330		3.94		
Subtotal of OTHER	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES						
Total Service Provider Fees	17.75		5,857.50		230.78	6,088.28

Attachments

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Hearings, Consultations, Disbursements Attachments

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WILLIAM O. HARPER

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ONTARIO L4C 1X5

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May 1, 2024

Statement of Costs for:

Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition
c/o Public Interest Advocacy Centre
200-285 McLeod Street
Ottawa, Ontario
KP2 1A1

Attn: Donna Brady

Statement No. 2024010

For Professional Services rendered re: VECC's participation in EB-2023-0058
(Westario Power Inc. 2024 Rates)

Services (see attached)	\$	5,857.50
HST (13%)	\$	761.48
TOTAL	\$	6,618.98

PAYABLE TO: WILLIAM HARPER

HST/GST Registration #81998 6902 RT00001

<u>COST CLAIM DETAILS:</u>			<u>ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD</u>			
NAME:	BILL HARPER	HOURLY RATE:	\$330			
SERVICE:	CONSULTANT	YEARS EXPERIENCE:	40			
FILE #:	EB-2023-0058	PROCESS:	WESTARIO 2024 RATES			
		DATE	HOURS	DETAILS	HOURLY RATE	SUB TOTAL
DISCOVERY						
-Read & Research Application	16/01/2024	0.50	Review Appln	\$330.00	\$	165.00
- Preparation of Interrogatories	19/01/2024	2.25	Draft IRs	\$330.00	\$	742.50
	20/01/2024	0.50	Draft IRs	\$330.00	\$	165.00
-Review of IR Responses	26/02/2024	0.75	Review IRRs	\$330.00	\$	247.50
PROCEDURAL						
- Prep Issues List Subm	16/01/2024	0.25	Comment on Draft Issue List	\$330.00	\$	82.50
SETTLEMENT						
CONFERENCE/ADR						
- Preparaton	26/02/2024	1.50	ADR Prep	\$330.00	\$	495.00
	27/02/2024	3.50	ADR Prep	\$330.00	\$	1,155.00
	06/03/2024	0.75	ADR Prep	\$330.00	\$	247.50
- Attendance	06/03/2024	3.75	Attend - MG split	\$330.00	\$	1,237.50
	07/03/2024	2.00	Attend - MG split	\$330.00	\$	660.00
- Prep. Of Settl Prop.	12/03/2024	0.50	Review SP Draft #1	\$330.00	\$	165.00
	29/03/2024	1.00	Review SP Draft #2	\$330.00	\$	330.00
	04/04/2024	0.25	Review SP Draft #3	\$330.00	\$	82.50
DECISION						
- Review Decision	30/04/2024	0.25	Review Decision	\$330.00	\$	82.50
SUB-TOTAL		17.75				\$5,857.50
HST (13%)						\$761.48
TOTAL						\$6,618.98

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HEARINGS

Hearings Hours 29.50	Hearings Subtotal (\$) 9,735.00	Hearings Total Tax (\$) 383.56	Hearings Total (\$) 10,118.56
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DISCOVERY						
Read and Research Application and Evidence		330		3.94		
Preparation of Interrogatories	13.50	330	4,455.00	3.94	175.53	4,630.53
Review Interrogatory Responses	3.75	330	1,237.50	3.94	48.76	1,286.26
Technical Conference Preparation		330		3.94		
Technical Conference Attendance		330		3.94		
Technical Conference Follow-up		330		3.94		
Subtotal of DISCOVERY	17.25		5,692.50		224.29	5,916.79
PROCEDURAL						
Preparation of Issues List Submission	0.25	330	82.50	3.94	3.25	85.75
Attendance at Issues List Conference		330		3.94		
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Preparation of Witness(es) for Attendance at Hearing		330		3.94		
Subtotal of INTERVENOR EVIDENCE	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE						
Preparation for Settlement Conference	6.50	330	2,145.00	3.94	84.51	2,229.51
Attendance at Settlement Conference	5.50	330	1,815.00	3.94	71.51	1,886.51
Preparation of Settlement Proposal		330		3.94		
Attendance at Presentation to Panel		330		3.94		
Subtotal of SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE	12.00		3,960.00		156.02	4,116.02
WRITTEN ARGUMENT						
Written Submissions		330		3.94		
Subtotal of WRITTEN ARGUMENT	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
ORAL ARGUMENT						
Preparation for Oral Hearing		330		3.94		
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Subtotal of OTHER	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDER FEES						
Total Service Provider Fees	29.50		9,735.00		383.56	10,118.56

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