



EB-2008-0014

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 Atikokan
Hydro Inc. 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: Paul Sommerville
Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle
Member

DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

Background

Atikokan Hydro Inc. ("Atikokan" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") received on January 17, 2008, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Atikokan 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 August 21, 2008, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Atikokan.

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

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 Atikokan.

THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan shall immediately pay VECC \$4,735.50.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Atikokan shall pay the Board's costs of and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, October 28, 2008
ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary