## Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2008-0113

**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 Hydro One Networks Inc. for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the transmission of electricity commencing January 1, 2009.

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Board's Order dated October 17, 2007 which approved just and reasonable rates for the transmission of electricity.

**BEFORE:** Ken Quesnelle

**Presiding Member** 

Pamela Nowina

Vice-Chair & Member

Paul Vlahos Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

## **Background**

Hydro One Networks ("Hydro One") filed an application dated May 30, 2008 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998;* S.O. c. 15, (Sched B) (the "Act") for an order or orders adjusting rates for the transmission of electricity, to be implemented on January 1, 2009.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") made a participation and funding request and was deemed eligible to apply for an award of costs.

The Board issued its Decision and Rate Order on the application on August 28, 2008, in which it set out the process for intervenors to file their cost claims and to respond to any objections raised by Hydro One.

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

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 Hydro One.

## THE BOARD THEREFORE ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to section 30 of the Ontario *Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One shall immediately pay VECC \$507.38.
- 2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro One 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