



DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2024-0126

Transmission Connections Review

By Delegation Before: Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection &
Industry Performance

July 7, 2025

OVERVIEW

On April 24, 2024, the OEB issued a [letter](#) commencing a transmission connections review of the Transmission System Code (TSC) connection related sections ([Transmission Connections Review](#)). The letter indicated that cost awards would be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) based on the criteria set out in the OEB’s *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*. Cost awards would be paid for by all licensed electricity transmitters.

In its August 6, 2024 [Decision on Cost Eligibility](#), the OEB determined the following participants in the Transmission Connections Review were eligible for cost awards:

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO)
- Distributed Resources Coalition (DRC)
- Energy Probe Research Foundation (Energy Probe)
- Minogi Corp. representing the interests of Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation and its members (Minogi)
- Pollution Probe
- Power Advisory on behalf of Canadian Renewable Energy Association, Energy Storage Canada, and the Ontario Waterpower Association (jointly referred to as REASCWA)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)

On May 8, 2025, the OEB issued a [Notice of Hearing for Cost Awards](#) for the above eligible participants to submit cost claims for eligible activities in the Transmission Connections Review. The OEB received cost claims from AMPCO, DRC, Energy Probe, Minogi, Pollution Probe, REASCWA and SEC. No objections were received from licensed electricity transmitters.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims files by AMPCO, DRC, Energy Probe, Minogi, Pollution Probe, REASCWA and SEC to ensure they were compliant with the OEB’s *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB approves cost awards as follows:

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| • AMPCO | \$4,847.71 |
| • DRC | \$2,310.85 |
| • Energy Probe | \$4,217.41 |
| • Minogi | \$2,440.80 |

• Pollution Probe	\$7,551.23
• REASCWA	\$8,451.16
• SEC	\$4,964.66

The OEB is also ordering recovery from licensed electricity transmitters of an amount of \$120,406.25 for the OEB's costs of and incidental to this consultation.

Process for Paying the Cost Awards

The amount payable by each licensed electricity transmitter in relation to costs awarded is listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order. The amounts will not be paid directly by the licensed electricity transmitter to the eligible participants.

The OEB will use the process set out in section 12 of the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* to implement the payment of the approved cost awards whereby the OEB will act as a clearing house for all payments of cost awards. Consistent with this process, each licensed transmitter is issued one invoice that covers all cost awards payable for the relevant period. As a result, the invoice may cover cost awards payable in relation to a number of proceedings and consultations, including this consultation. The payment shall be due at the same time as all other cost assessments under section 26 of the OEB Act.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Each licensed electricity transmitter in Schedule A to this Decision and Order shall make a payment to the OEB in accordance with the amounts set out in Schedule A, upon receiving an invoice from the OEB.
2. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, each electricity distributor shall pay the OEB's costs of, and incidental to, this proceeding immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto July 7, 2025

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Brian Hewson
Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

SCHEDULE A**OEB's Decision and Order on Cost Awards****EB-2024-0126**

Electricity Transmission System Owner/Operator	Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	Distributed Resource Coalition	Energy Probe Research Foundation	Minogi Corp.	Pollution Probe	REASCWA	School Energy Coalition	Cost Awards	OEB Cost	Total
B2M Limited Partnership	\$ 81.90	\$ 39.04	\$ 71.25	\$ 41.23	\$ 127.57	\$ 142.77	\$ 83.87	\$ 587.63	\$ 2,034.12	\$ 2,621.75
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$ 11.56	\$ 5.51	\$ 10.06	\$ 5.82	\$ 18.01	\$ 20.16	\$ 11.84	\$ 82.96	\$ 287.18	\$ 370.14
Five Nations Energy Inc.	\$ 19.51	\$ 9.30	\$ 16.97	\$ 9.82	\$ 30.39	\$ 34.01	\$ 19.98	\$ 139.98	\$ 484.54	\$ 624.52
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$ 4,538.21	\$ 2,163.32	\$ 3,948.15	\$ 2,284.98	\$ 7,069.13	\$ 7,911.60	\$ 4,647.70	\$ 32,563.09	\$ 112,719.03	\$ 145,282.12
Hydro One Sault Ste Marie Inc. on behalf of Hydro One	\$ 105.76	\$ 50.41	\$ 92.01	\$ 53.25	\$ 164.74	\$ 184.37	\$ 108.31	\$ 758.85	\$ 2,626.83	\$ 3,385.68
Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership	\$ 19.68	\$ 9.38	\$ 17.12	\$ 9.91	\$ 30.65	\$ 34.31	\$ 20.15	\$ 141.20	\$ 488.79	\$ 629.99
Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc.	\$ 71.09	\$ 33.89	\$ 61.85	\$ 35.79	\$ 110.74	\$ 123.94	\$ 72.81	\$ 510.11	\$ 1,765.76	\$ 2,275.87
Electricity Transmission Total	\$ 4,847.71	\$ 2,310.85	\$ 4,217.41	\$ 2,440.80	\$ 7,551.23	\$ 8,451.16	\$ 4,964.66	\$ 34,783.82	\$ 120,406.25	\$ 155,190.07
Grand Total	\$ 4,847.71	\$ 2,310.85	\$ 4,217.41	\$ 2,440.80	\$ 7,551.23	\$ 8,451.16	\$ 4,964.66	\$ 34,783.82	\$ 120,406.25	\$ 155,190.07