

# **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

EB-2023-0071

Electric Vehicle Integration – Electricity Delivery Rates for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging

By Delegation Before: Brian Hewson

**Vice President, Consumer Protection &** 

**Industry Performance** 

## **OVERVIEW**

On May 1, 2024, the OEB issued a <u>letter</u> inviting stakeholders to a meeting on June 13, 2024 to discuss a proposal for an electricity delivery rate for public EV charging stations that have a low load factor.

In that letter and in a May 30, 2024 <u>Decision on Cost Eligibility</u>, the OEB determined that cost awards would be available under section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, and that any costs would be recovered from all rate-regulated licensed electricity distributors. The OEB also determined the following stakeholders are eligible for cost awards in relation to this consultation:

- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers & Businesses of Canada (CCMBC)
- Consumers Council of Canada (CCC)
- Distributed Resource Coalition (DRC)
- Environmental Defence (ED)
- Pollution Probe (PP)
- School Energy Coalition (SEC)
- Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC)

On January 7, 2025, the OEB issued a <u>letter</u> inviting stakeholders to provide written comments on a revised proposal for an Electric Vehicle Charging Rate. On March 31, 2025, the OEB issued its Electric Vehicle Charge Rate Overview – Final Report.

The OEB determined that eligible participants would be eligible for a maximum of one and a half hours for preparation for the June 13, 2024 stakeholder meeting, three hours for attendance and participation in the meeting, six hours for written comments submitted on the proposal presented on June 13, 2024, and six hours for written feedback on the January 7, 2025 proposal.

On May 28, 2025, the OEB issued a <u>Notice of Hearing</u> for Cost Awards inviting eligible participants to submit cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from BOMA, CCMBC, DRC, ED, PP, VECC, and SEC. No objections were received from the electricity distributors. This decision is made under delegated authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998.* 

### **Findings**

The OEB has reviewed the cost claims to ensure they were compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* and approves the cost claims as filed.

The OEB approves cost awards as follows:

•	BOMA	\$4,868.04
•	CCMBC	\$1,622.68
•	DRC	\$5,716.10
•	ED	\$2,567.93
•	PP	\$5,375.13
•	SEC	\$4,298.98
•	VECC	\$6,156.89

The OEB is also ordering recovery from rate-regulated licensed electricity distributors to pay the amount of \$44,250 for the OEB's costs of and incidental to this consultation.

#### **Process for Paying the Cost Awards**

The amount payable by each electricity distributor in relation to costs awarded is listed in Schedule A to this Decision and Order.

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 distributor 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 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Each electricity distributor 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 consultation immediately upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto July 28, 2025

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Brian Hewson Vice President, Consumer Protection & Industry Performance

# SCHEDULE A

## **Decision and Order on Cost Awards**

## EB-2023-0071

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	Building Owners & Managers Association	Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses Canada	Distributed Resource Coalition	Environmental Defence	Pollution Probe	School Energy Coalition	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	Cost Awards	OEB Cost	Total Cost Awards
Alectra Utilities Corporation	\$969.67	\$323.22	\$1,138.60	\$ 11.51	\$1,070.68	\$ 856.32	\$1,226.40	\$6,096.40	\$8,814.21	\$ 14,910.61
Algoma Power Inc.	\$11.11	\$ 3.70	\$13.04	\$5.86	\$12.26	\$9.81	\$ 14.05	\$69.83	\$ 100.97	\$170.80
Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation	\$33.62	\$ 11.21	\$39.47	\$17.73	\$37.12	\$ 29.69	\$ 42.52	\$211.36	\$ 305.57	\$516.93
Burlington Hydro Inc.	\$62.04	\$ 20.68	\$72.85	\$32.73	\$68.50	\$ 54.79	\$ 78.47	\$390.06	\$ 563.95	\$954.01
Canadian Niagara Power Inc.	\$27.41	\$ 9.14	\$32.19	\$14.46	\$30.27	\$ 24.21	\$ 34.67	\$172.35	\$ 249.17	\$421.52
Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.	\$6.72	\$ 2.24	\$7.89	\$3.54	\$7.42	\$5.93	\$8.50	\$42.24	\$61.07	\$103.31
Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc.	\$2.32	\$ 0.77	\$2.72	\$1.22	\$2.56	\$2.05	\$2.93	\$14.57	\$21.08	\$ 35.65
E.L.K. Energy Inc.	\$11.19	\$ 3.73	\$13.14	\$5.91	\$12.36	\$9.89	\$ 14.16	\$70.38	\$ 101.76	\$172.14
Elexicon Energy Inc.	\$ 156.87	\$ 52.29	\$184.19	\$82.75	\$173.21	\$ 138.53	\$ 198.40	\$986.24	\$1,425.89	\$ 2,412.13
Enova Power Corp.	\$ 144.56	\$ 48.19	\$169.74	\$76.25	\$159.61	\$ 127.66	\$ 182.83	\$908.84	\$1,314.00	\$ 2,222.84
Entegrus Powerlines Inc.	\$56.24	\$ 18.75	\$66.04	\$29.67	\$62.10	\$ 49.67	\$ 71.13	\$353.60	\$ 511.25	\$864.85
Enwin Utilities Ltd.	\$82.08	\$ 27.36	\$96.38	\$43.30	\$90.63	\$ 72.49	\$ 103.81	\$516.05	\$ 746.12	\$ 1,262.17
EPCOR Electricity Distribution Ontario Inc.	\$16.84	\$ 5.61	\$19.78	\$8.89	\$18.60	\$ 14.88	\$ 21.30	\$105.90	\$ 153.12	\$259.02
ERTH Power Corporation	\$21.97	\$ 7.32	\$25.79	\$11.59	\$24.25	\$ 19.40	\$ 27.78	\$138.10	\$ 199.66	\$337.76
Essex Powerlines Corporation	\$28.04	\$ 9.35	\$32.93	\$14.79	\$30.97	\$ 24.77	\$ 35.47	\$176.32	\$ 254.92	\$431.24
Festival Hydro Inc.	\$20.01	\$ 6.67	\$23.49	\$10.55	\$22.09	\$ 17.67	\$ 25.30	\$125.78	\$ 181.85	\$307.63

Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator	Building Owners & Managers Association	Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses Canada	Distributed Resource Coalition	Environmental Defence	Pollution Probe	School Energy Coalition	Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	Cost Awards	OEB Cost	Total Cost Awards
Fort Frances Power Corporation	\$3.37	\$1.12	\$3.96	\$1.78	\$3.72	\$2.98	\$4.27	\$21.20	\$30.65	\$ 51.85
GrandBridge Energy Inc.	\$100.02	\$ 33.34	\$117.45	\$52.76	\$110.44	\$ 88.33	\$ 126.50	\$628.84	\$ 909.18	\$ 1,538.02
Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc.	\$43.20	\$ 14.40	\$50.73	\$22.79	\$47.70	\$ 38.15	\$ 54.64	\$271.61	\$ 392.69	\$664.30
Grimsby Power Incorporated	\$10.69	\$ 3.56	\$12.55	\$5.64	\$11.81	\$9.44	\$ 13.52	\$67.21	\$97.19	\$164.40
Halton Hills Hydro Inc.	\$20.63	\$ 6.88	\$24.23	\$10.88	\$22.78	\$ 18.22	\$ 26.10	\$129.72	\$ 187.56	\$317.28
Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited	\$2.45	\$ 0.82	\$2.88	\$1.29	\$2.71	\$2.16	\$3.10	\$15.41	\$22.27	\$ 37.68
Hydro Hawkesbury Inc.	\$5.07	\$ 1.69	\$5.95	\$2.67	\$5.60	\$4.48	\$6.41	\$31.87	\$46.07	\$ 77.94
Hydro One Networks Inc.	\$1,298.24	\$432.74	\$1,524.39	\$ 684.84	\$1,433.45	\$1,146.42	\$1,641.95	\$8,162.03	\$11,800.81	\$ 19,962.84
Hydro One Remote Communities Inc.	\$3.96	\$ 1.32	\$4.65	\$2.09	\$4.38	\$3.50	\$5.01	\$24.91	\$36.02	\$ 60.93
Hydro Ottawa Limited	\$ 323.27	\$107.76	\$379.59	\$ 170.53	\$356.95	\$ 285.48	\$ 408.86	\$2,032.44	\$2,938.52	\$ 4,970.96
Innpower Corporation	\$18.48	\$ 6.16	\$21.70	\$9.75	\$20.40	\$ 16.32	\$ 23.37	\$116.18	\$ 167.95	\$284.13
Kingston Hydro Corporation	\$25.21	\$ 8.40	\$29.61	\$13.30	\$27.84	\$ 22.27	\$ 31.89	\$158.52	\$ 229.19	\$387.71
Lakefront Utilities Inc.	\$9.76	\$ 3.25	\$11.46	\$5.15	\$10.78	\$8.62	\$ 12.34	\$61.36	\$88.71	\$150.07
Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd.	\$12.93	\$ 4.31	\$15.18	\$6.82	\$14.27	\$ 11.42	\$ 16.35	\$81.28	\$ 117.50	\$198.78
London Hydro Inc.	\$ 149.56	\$ 49.85	\$175.62	\$78.89	\$165.14	\$ 132.08	\$ 189.16	\$940.30	\$1,359.50	\$ 2,299.80
Milton Hydro Distribution Inc.	\$38.40	\$ 12.80	\$45.09	\$20.26	\$42.40	\$ 33.91	\$ 48.57	\$241.43	\$ 349.07	\$590.50
Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.	\$40.35	\$ 13.45	\$47.38	\$21.28	\$44.55	\$ 35.63	\$ 51.03	\$253.67	\$ 366.76	\$620.43
Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.	\$52.44	\$ 17.48	\$61.58	\$27.66	\$57.91	\$ 46.31	\$ 66.33	\$329.71	\$ 476.70	\$806.41
Niagara-on-the-lake Hydro Inc.	\$8.84	\$ 2.95	\$10.38	\$4.66	\$9.76	\$7.81	\$ 11.18	\$55.58	\$80.37	\$135.95

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North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited	\$24.93	\$ 8.31	\$29.27	\$13.15	\$27.53	\$ 22.02	\$ 31.53	\$156.74	\$ 226.62	\$383.36
Northern Ontario Wires Inc.	\$5.35	\$ 1.78	\$6.28	\$2.82	\$5.91	\$4.73	\$6.77	\$33.64	\$48.64	\$ 82.28
Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.	\$68.35	\$ 22.78	\$80.26	\$36.06	\$75.47	\$ 60.36	\$ 86.45	\$429.73	\$ 621.30	\$ 1,051.03
Orangeville Hydro Limited	\$11.57	\$ 3.86	\$13.59	\$6.10	\$12.78	\$ 10.22	\$ 14.63	\$72.75	\$ 105.18	\$177.93
Oshawa PUC Networks Inc.	\$54.80	\$ 18.27	\$64.35	\$28.91	\$60.51	\$ 48.39	\$ 69.31	\$344.54	\$ 498.12	\$842.66
Ottawa River Power Corporation	\$10.48	\$ 3.49	\$12.31	\$5.53	\$11.57	\$9.26	\$ 13.26	\$65.90	\$95.29	\$161.19
PUC Distribution Inc.	\$30.57	\$ 10.19	\$35.89	\$16.13	\$33.75	\$ 27.00	\$ 38.66	\$192.19	\$ 277.87	\$470.06
Renfrew Hydro Inc.	\$3.95	\$ 1.32	\$4.64	\$2.08	\$4.36	\$3.49	\$4.99	\$24.83	\$35.89	\$ 60.72
Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.	\$5.39	\$ 1.80	\$6.32	\$2.84	\$5.95	\$4.76	\$6.81	\$33.87	\$48.96	\$ 82.83
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.	\$2.63	\$ 0.88	\$3.08	\$1.39	\$2.90	\$2.32	\$3.32	\$16.52	\$23.87	\$ 40.39
Synergy North Corporation	\$51.42	\$ 17.14	\$60.38	\$27.12	\$56.78	\$ 45.41	\$ 65.04	\$323.29	\$ 467.41	\$790.70
Tillsonburg Hydro Inc.	\$7.38	\$ 2.46	\$8.66	\$3.89	\$8.14	\$6.51	\$9.33	\$46.37	\$67.05	\$113.42
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	\$ 712.04	\$237.35	\$836.09	\$ 375.61	\$786.22	\$ 628.81	\$ 900.56	\$4,476.68	\$6,472.42	\$ 10,949.10
Wasaga Distribution Inc.	\$13.39	\$ 4.46	\$15.72	\$7.06	\$14.78	\$ 11.82	\$ 16.93	\$84.16	\$ 121.69	\$205.85
Welland Hydro-Electric System Corp.	\$22.58	\$ 7.53	\$26.51	\$11.91	\$24.93	\$ 19.94	\$ 28.55	\$141.95	\$ 205.20	\$347.15
Wellington North Power Inc.	\$3.65	\$ 1.22	\$4.29	\$1.93	\$4.03	\$3.22	\$4.62	\$22.96	\$33.18	\$ 56.14
Westario Power Inc.	\$22.00	\$ 7.33	\$25.84	\$11.61	\$24.30	\$ 19.43	\$ 27.83	\$138.34	\$ 200.01	\$338.35

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Electricity Distribution System Owner/Operator Total	\$4,868.04	\$1,622.68	\$5,716.10	\$2,567.93	\$5,375.13	\$4,298.98	\$6,156.89	\$30,605.75	\$44,250.00	\$74,855.75
Grand Total	\$4,868.04	\$ 1,622.68	\$5,716.10	\$2,567.93	\$5,375.13	\$4,298.98	\$6,156.89	\$30,605.75	\$44,250.00	\$74,855.75

Note: Participant costs totaling \$ 57.67 were reallocated from certain distributors that are liable to pay cost assessments under section 26 of the OEB Act to the distributors listed in Schedule A to avoid any distributor paying costs that are less than \$25 in the aggregate for this case. This approach is in line with the Practice Direction on Cost Awards (section 12.02)

Atikokan Hydro Inc.	\$22.42
Attawapiskat Power Corp.	\$7.29
Fort Albany Power Corporation	\$4.34
Hydro 2000 Inc.	\$17.54
Kashechewan Power Corporation	\$6.08
Total	\$57.67