



July 16, 2013

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Re: Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (THESL) Cost Award Decision – July 5, 2013
Board File No. EB-2012-0064

Dear Ms. Walli:

We are writing to support the position taken by VECC in their letter to you of July 10, 2013. The Board's July 5, 2013 Decision in the above-noted proceeding provides that the Applicant should generally only be responsible for paying the costs of one representative at the Settlement Conference. The Board reduced the recoverable hours for the settlement conference for intervenors with more than one representative in attendance.

AMPCO agrees with VECC that the strict observance of this funding rule will likely have adverse consequences on the progress of the ADR. AMPCO notes that technical or expert input on specific issues is frequently required as part of the ADR process to establish initial intervenor positions and clarify issues during the process. In situations where the technical consultant is the participating ADR representative, legal input on behalf of the intervenor may be required as part of the process. In AMPCO's view, allowing for additional technical, expert and legal input as part of the ADR process where warranted will result in a more efficient process to the benefit of all parties.

AMPCO supports VECC's suggestion that the above practice to allow funding for only one intervenor representative be reconsidered and amended going forward to allow for funding for an additional representative when needed. VECC suggests an additional intervenor representative be funded for ADR attendance for up to one third of the attendance time of the main ADR representative. AMPCO submits this proposal is reasonable at a minimum and adequately addresses the issue of cost containment while allowing for expert attendance and input as needed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely yours,

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