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# **DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS**

**EB-2024-0031**

## **HYDRO HAWKESBURY INC.**

**Application for electricity distribution rates and other charges  
beginning January 1, 2025**

**BEFORE: Lynne Anderson**  
Presiding Chief Commissioner

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**February 7, 2025**

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**OVERVIEW**

Hydro Hawkesbury Inc. (Hydro Hawkesbury) filed a cost of service application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 6, 2024, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Hydro Hawkesbury charges for electricity distribution, beginning January 1, 2025.

The OEB granted Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On January 9, 2025, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order in which it set out the process for cost claims.

The OEB received cost claims from VECC. No objections to the cost claims were received from Hydro Hawkesbury.

**Findings**

The OEB notes that VECC had two consultants participating in the settlement conference. The OEB does not typically provide cost awards to more than one person from the same party participating in a settlement conference; however, a review of their claim shows that they appropriately split their time and did not “double count”. The costs claim is approved.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Hydro Hawkesbury Inc. shall promptly pay \$12,433.82 to VECC.

**DATED** at Toronto February 7, 2025

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar