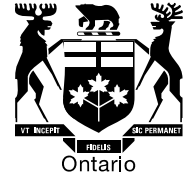


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BOARD FILE NO.: RP-2004-0205**

**To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors  
All Licensed Electricity Retailers  
All Participants in Proceeding RP-2004-0205**

**RE: Regulated Price Plan — Second Term Commencement Date**

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The Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") is giving notice that it is announcing the date for the "second term commencement date" referred to in the Standard Supply Service Code (the "SSS Code").

**Background**

The "second term commencement date" is the date on which the current Regulated Price Plan ("RPP") prices, referred to in sections 3.3 and 3.4 of the SSS Code, will be replaced with new prices set by the Board. The "second term commencement date" is also the date on which "smart meter" or "time-of-use" pricing becomes mandatory for all consumers that have eligible time-of-use meters.

The SSS Code currently states that the "second term commencement date" will be on or after April 1, 2006.

**Second Term Commencement Date**

To provide greater certainty for electricity LDCs and retailers, the Board has decided to announce that the "second term commencement date" will be May 1, 2006. The Board will announce the new RPP prices at a later date closer to May 1, 2006.

This date was selected by the Board because May 1, 2006 is the date on which the Board-approved distribution rate adjustments are intended to go into effect and it is also the date on which the seasonal change to the tier threshold for residential RPP consumers with conventional meters is scheduled to occur.

Synchronizing the date for all three changes will minimize the impact on electricity LDCs and retailers (who use retailer consolidated billing) because it will allow them to implement all billing system changes at the same time. It should also minimize the potential for consumer confusion as all changes involving proration will be limited to one bill.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Cincar at 416-440-7696 or Russell Chute at 416-440-7682. The Board's toll free number is 1-888-632-6273.

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