

Ontario Energy Board

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Load Data Inputs: Staff Update

April 25th and 27th, 2006 John Vrantsidis, Board Staff

Why required for filings?

Load data is a required key input to the upcoming cost allocation model

Load data will be used to fairly allocate demand-related costs between the various rate classifications of each distributor

Residential Appliance Saturation Surveys: Additional LDCs Considering

- Survey results will improve reliability of load data inputs
- Approximately 70 LDCs will be using results from updated surveys
- Additional LDCs seriously considering undertaking surveys
- Suggested sequence to provide information to HONI for preparing load profiles will be adjusted to accommodate LDCs doing survey will improve reliability of load data inputs
- Please contact <u>CAReview@OEB.gov.on.ca</u> if questionnaire response is to be changed

Sharing of Surveys

- Several LDCs have passed tests to share survey results, or undertake joint surveys
- LDCs in same regions encouraged to co-operate
- Staff facilitating follow-up conference calls to provide forum for discussion
- HONI now has its rural system survey results available on a regional basis

Survey Questions

- Minor Changes made to suggested questions, for those LDCs that have not started yet
 - updated priority questions to be provided
- If more LDCs are interested in using longer form of survey, please contact staff
- HONI has French version of original survey questions available for sharing

Board Staff and EDA Co-operation

Follow-up conference calls were held in April with following regions:

- 1) North West
- 2) North East
- 3) Eastern
- 4) Niagara

Updated HONI Instructions to LDCs

Several clarifications were raised by LDCs at last Workshop, and during April conference calls

Board Staff, load data consultant, Dr. Dean Mountain reviewing stakeholder questions where further technical expertise is required

Updated HONI instructions to be presented today, ready for May – June LDC 2nd tranche

Further Board Staff and EDA Load Data Co-operation

Follow-up conference calls will held in May with following regions:

- 5) Western
- 6) Georgian Bay
- 7) Central

Unmetered Scattered Loads

Several LDCs collected new load data from March 1st to mid-April

Several organizations have valuable older data

HONI load data team will gather results and present and present to Board Staff, Board's consultant Dean Mountain, and Technical Advisory Team in mid-May

Early direction targeted on load profile

Updated Filing Sequence

June 2006 is current target for large-scale filing of LDC specific information to HONI load data team

suggested filing sequence updated

Board Staff looking for several volunteers to work with HONI load data team to finalize instructions during May:

- Hydro One Brampton
- Enersource
- Kingston Utilities
- ELK Hydro

Co-ordination HONI Load Data Outputs OEB Model Inputs

Staff continuing to work with their advisors, HONI team, testing LDCs and Advisory Team to ensure smooth integration between planned HONI load data results and model load data requirements

updated input sheet to be reviewed today

Pending Model and Load Data Instructions

Model instructions under development will explain what additional steps LDC may have to take to adjust load data given by HONI for purposes of model

 Technical Advisory Team providing suggestions on load data implementation issues