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Dear Sir/Madam:

Electricity Distribution Rate Handbook, Revision 2 - Chapter 9

Enclosed please find a copy of the revised (Revision 2) Chapter 9 of the Electricity Distribution Rate Handbook. To keep your copy of the Rate Handbook current please replace Version 1 of this chapter with Version 2.

The principal changes and applicable sections are highlighted below:

Section	Overview of Change
9.3.3	Amended late payment section reflecting new policy and filing requirements.
9.4.2	To reflect the December 15, 2000 amendments to the Retail Settlement Code (RSC): Nature of cost recovery of commodity and non-competitive charges: kWh consumption adjusted for the total loss factor rather than distribution loss factor.
9.4.3	 To reflect the December 15, 2000 amendments to the RSC: The electricity usage adjustment should be shown prior to the commodity charge on the bill. It is based on an adjustment for the total loss factor (TLF), rather than distribution loss factor, as described in the Retail Settlement Code. Also, with regard to the Debt Retirement Charge (DRC) and Rural Rate Assistance, it is not certain at this time whether either of these charges will be adjusted for the total (rather than distribution) loss factor.
9.4.5	To recognize that Sections 71 and 72 of the OEB Act, 1998 will come into effect on January 1, 2002.

While highlights of the revisions are described here, a close read of the enclosed revised chapter is advised.

Also, for your convenience, please find attached an updated table of contents for your handbook.

Yours truly,

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