

1 **Westario INTERROGATORY #2**

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3 **Interrogatory**

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5 WP.HONI.2 **Reference:** Impact on Distributors and Their Customers

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7 • EB-1999-0216 Hydro One Networks Reply Submission re: Chatham-Kent Hydro
8 Application, page 3,4 of 17; lines 28-31, 1-7.
9 • EB-1999-0260 Hydro One Networks Submission re: Veridian Connections
10 Application page 3,4 of 25 lines 26-31, 1-4.

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12 **Preamble:** HONI has stated the following: “Complicating matters
13 further, Networks cannot pass along all cost components that have been
14 approved by the Board for recovery from embedded LDCs. Whereas
15 Networks has Low Voltage (“LV”) facility costs allocated to and included
16 in its current retail rates for its customers, the rates of other LDCs
17 embedded in Networks’ service territory, such as Veridian, do not yet
18 reflect the cost of Networks’ LV system to supply them.”

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20 **Request:** (a) What would be the impact on the distributor if HONI was
21 able to recover the cost of providing the Low Voltage supply that
22 distributor? (b) Can HONI provide the amount of this impact for each
23 Application where it raised the issue?

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26 **Response**

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28 (a) The impact on the distributor of Networks being able to recover the Low Voltage
29 (LV) charge would be higher costs for the embedded “distributor”. The distributor
30 should, however, be aware that Networks already has Board approval for LV rates for
31 embedded LDCs (RP2000-0023). These LV rates have not been implemented as a
32 result of the enactment of s. 79.10 of the OEB Act (Bill 210), and thus Networks does
33 not currently have approval for collection of the approved LV charges.

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35 (b) This information would be considered confidential.

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