

OEB Cost Allocation Working Group - Agenda Week VIII

Date: Thursday May 8, 2003 (9:30 a.m to 3:15 p.m.)

Place: North Hearing Room, 25th Floor, OEB Offices, 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto

Schedule:

9:00 to 10:20

1) Statistical Challenges and Opportunities of Province-wide Load Data Sampling

- Guest Presentation by Professor Dean Mountain (McMaster University)
- Discussion will focus on four issues:
 - past province-wide sampling programmes
 - what principles should guide a new proposal
 - conducting a cost-effective province-wide sampling programme
 - other potential valuable uses of updated load data

10:20 to 10:30 - Morning break

10:30 to 12: 25

2) Technical Issues in Weather Adjustments

- Discussion will be kicked off by Mike Roger and Paula Zarnett
- Please focus on the following two issues:
 - merits of allowing use of a simpler weather normalization model
 - merits of adjusting to normal v. extreme conditions

3) Introduction to Minimum System Approach

- Discussion kicked off by Bill Harper, Bruce Bacon, and Mike Roger
- Personal goal: understand types of minimum system methods
- Group goal: what are differing data needs of varying classification methods

12:25 to 1:00 - Lunch (to be provided)

- Guest presentation on meter data management issues (Peterborough)

1:00 to 1:30

4) Case Study on Cost Allocation Methodology

- Overview of Hydro One's proposed cost allocation method
- Presentation by Mike Roger

1:30 to 2:30

5) Financial Issues Revisted

- Presentation by Gary Parent on Categorization
- Presentation by Jim Fallis on Customer Allocation Factors
- Suggested background reading: Pages 8-16 October 2000 Navigant Report
- Additional reading: See discussion of assignment of other costs using "composite factors" at pages 17 to 22 Navigant Report

2:30 to 3:10

6) Case Study on Cost Allocation Data Collection Issues

- Presentation by Paula Zarnett
- Please consider what data your utility would need to gather to undertake its cost allocation study
- Also, handout of summary of Paula's past presentation on functionalization

3:10 - 3:15

7) Other potential issues to note

- Hand-out prepared by Mike Roger
- The working group will need to clarify which issues should fall under its mandate, and which should be left for others to deal with