



Information Notice Regarding 2006 Electricity Distribution Rate Guidelines

Board File No. RP-2004-0188

The Ontario Energy Board is developing guidelines to assist the Board in setting rates to be charged by electricity distributors. These guidelines will apply to rates charged to customers in 2006. The Board is seeking input from the public on these guidelines.

Please note that these rate guidelines relate to the costs for the distribution of electricity, which is a component of the amount listed as the “Delivery” charge on most bills. They **will not** affect the commodity price for electricity (i.e. the rate charged per kilowatt hour, which is listed as the “Electricity” charge on most bills).

If you are interested in providing information or an opinion to the Board with regard to the guidelines, there are a number of ways in which you may participate:

- You can write a letter to the Board by December 31, 2004 outlining your comments, concerns, or suggestions regarding the 2006 electricity distribution rate guidelines. Please send your letter to the address provided below. Please include in your letter the Board file number **RP-2004-0188**, your name, address, and telephone number.
- You can be an observer, which will entitle you to receive Board issued documents only. If you wish to be an observer, please make this request in writing to the Assistant Board Secretary at the address provided below by December 31, 2004. You must provide your name, address, telephone number, and facsimile number and e-mail address if available. You can check our Web site (see address below) to see what material has been issued by the Board.
- You can become a participant and actively engage in the Board's consultation related to the 2006 electricity distribution rates guidelines. Participants can play a significant role in the process, which may involve participation in working groups and making

written or oral submissions to the Board. For more information on how to become a participant, please contact our Customer Service Centre at the number listed below.

For more information on the 2006 Electricity Distribution Rates guidelines, please see the OEB's Web site at <http://www.oeb.gov.on.ca>. Information on the 2006 Electricity Distribution Rates guidelines can be found by looking under "Major Key Initiatives" on the OEB homepage, and clicking on "2006 Elec. Distribution Rates". You can also call the Board's Customer Service Centre toll free at 1-877-632-2727.

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