



**EB-2007-0785**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act*,  
1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Sioux Lookout  
Hydro Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and  
reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of  
electricity for the 2008 rate year.

**BEFORE:** Paul Sommerville  
Vice Chair and Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle  
Member

### **RATE ORDER**

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. ("Sioux Lookout") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within the Municipality of Sioux Lookout. Sioux Lookout filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity and other charges for the 2008 rate year. The Board assigned file number EB-2007-0785 to the application. There were no intervenors.

The Board issued a Rate Order on April 2, 2008 declaring the existing approved rates interim as of May 1, 2008. The Board issued its Decision and Order on Sioux Lookout's application on September 11, 2008 and directed Sioux Lookout to file a Draft Rate

Order and supporting material reflecting the Board's findings. Sioux Lookout filed its Draft Rate Order on September 22, 2008.

The Board also directed that the rates are to be effective July 1, 2008, and that Sioux Lookout may collect any incremental revenue that would otherwise not have been collected during the period between the effective date and the date upon which rates will be implemented because of the delay in implementation. Sioux Lookout has set an implementation date of November 1, 2008, and has calculated a rider to collect these incremental revenues for the period from July 1, 2008 and November 1, 2008.

The Board has reviewed the information provided in the Draft Rate Order and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges and is satisfied that the document accurately reflects the Board's September 11<sup>th</sup> Decision.

For completeness of the regulated charges, the Board has included in the Tariff of Rates and Charges the charges pertaining to services provided to retailers or consumers regarding the supply of competitive electricity, which are referenced in Chapter 12 of the 2006 Electricity Distribution Rate Handbook.

**THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Decision and Rate Order is approved, effective July 1, 2008 but implemented November 1, 2008 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Decision and Rate Order supersedes all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Ontario Energy Board for Sioux Lookout Hydro Electric Systems Inc. and is final in all respects.

3. Sioux Lookout Hydro Electric Systems Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, October 22, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

## **Appendix “A”**

To the Rate Order Arising from Decision  
EB-2007-0785  
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.

October 22, 2008

# Sioux Lookout Hydro Incorporated

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective July 1, 2008

### Implementation November 1, 2008

**This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors**

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#### APPLICATION

- The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Codes, Guidelines or Orders of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.
- No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code, Guideline or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.
- This schedule does not contain any rates and charges relating to the electricity commodity (e.g. the Regulated Price Plan).

#### IMPLEMENTATION DATES

DISTRIBUTION RATES – November 1, 2008 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date.  
SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES – November 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date.  
RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES – November 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by retailers or customers on or after that date.  
LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT – November 1, 2008 unless the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates. In that case, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

#### SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS

##### **Residential**

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. All customers are single-phase.

##### **General Service Less Than 50 kW**

This classification applies to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW.

##### **General Service 50 to 4,999 kW**

This classification applies to a non residential account whose average monthly maximum demand used for billing purposes is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Note that for the application of the Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate and the Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate the following sub-classifications apply:

- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW non-interval metered
- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW interval metered
- General Service >1,000 to 4,999 kW interval metered.

##### **Unmetered Scattered Load**

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. Such connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption.

##### **Street Lighting**

This classification applies to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template.

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

##### Residential

Service Charge	\$	24.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0131
Foregone Distribution Revenue Rate Rider – Volumetric Rate effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kWh	(0.0016)
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kWh	0.0011
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0016
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

##### General Service Less Than 50 kW

Service Charge	\$	42.75
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0106
Foregone Distribution Revenue Rate Rider – Volumetric Rate effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kWh	(0.0032)
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kWh	0.0011
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

##### General Service 50 to 4,999 kW

Service Charge	\$	457.23
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.8781
Foregone Distribution Revenue Rate Rider – Volumetric Rate effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kW	(1.9964)
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kW	0.4423
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5574
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5633
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.6541
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	0.6175
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.6521
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	0.6225
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

##### Unmetered Scattered Load

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	20.82
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0107
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kWh	0.0013
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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**Street Lighting**

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.21
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.3139
Foregone Distribution Revenue Rate Rider – Volumetric Rate effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kW	9.0705
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009	\$/kW	0.3647
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1745
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4355
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

**Specific Service Charges**

## Customer Administration

Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00

## Non-Payment of Account

Late Payment - per month	%	1.50
Late Payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter During Regular Hours	\$	110.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter After Regular Hours	\$	245.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	245.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	\$	415.00

Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	110.00
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$	245.00
Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service – install and remove – underground – no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35

## Allowances

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.3741)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

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**Retail Service Charges (if applicable)**

Retail Service Charges refer to services provided by a distributor to retailers or customers related to the supply of competitive electricity

One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	100.00
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	20.00
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.50
Distributor-consolidated billing charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.30)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.25
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.50
Request for customer information as outlined in Section 10.6.3 and Chapter 11 of the Retail Settlement Code directly to retailers and customers, if not delivered electronically through the Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requesting party		
Up to twice a year		no charge
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	2.00

**LOSS FACTORS**

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0642
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0535
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A