



**EB-2007-0746**

**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 Barrie Hydro  
Distribution Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and  
reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of  
electricity to be effective May 1, 2008.

**BEFORE:** Gordon Kaiser  
Vice Chair and Presiding Member

Cynthia Chaplin  
Member

## **RATE ORDER**

Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. ("Barrie") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Barrie filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2008. The Board assigned file number EB-2007-0746 to the application.

The intervenors in this proceeding were the School Energy Coalition ("SEC") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC").

The Board issued its Decision on Barrie's application on March 25, 2008 and ordered Barrie to file a Draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings. Barrie filed its Draft Rate Order on April 7, 2008. No party objected to the materials filed, including the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges.

The Board has reviewed the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges and is satisfied that the document accurately reflects the Board's 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 Rate Order is approved, effective May 1, 2008, for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2008.
2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order supersedes all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Ontario Energy Board for Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. and is final in all respects, except for the Standby Power rates which are approved on an interim basis.
3. Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, April 25, 2008

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

Appendix A  
To The Rate Order Arising from Decision  
EB-2007-0746  
Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc.  
April 25, 2008

# **Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc.**

## **TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**

### **Effective May 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).

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES**

**DISTRIBUTION RATES** - May 1, 2008 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date.  
**SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES** - May 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date.  
**RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES** – May 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by retailers or customers on or after that date.  
**LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT** – May 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 refers to the supply of electrical energy to residential customers residing in detached, semi detached, townhouse (freehold or condominium) dwelling units duplexes or triplexes. Supply will be limited up to a maximum of 200 amp @ 240/120 volt. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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

This classification refers to a non-residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly peak demand is less than or expected to be less than 50 kW. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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

This classification refers to a non-residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is expected to be equal to or greater than 50 kW but less than 5000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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

This classification refers to a non-residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is expected to be equal to or greater than 50 kW but less than 5000 kW and who has an electrical service of at least 600 amps at 600/347 volts or 1600 amps at 208/120 volts. If the customer meets these criteria then an interval meter is required. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

##### **Large Use**

This classification refers to an account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than or is expected to be equal to or greater than 5000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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

This classification refers to a non-residential account taking electricity at 240/120 or 120 volts whose monthly peak demand is less than or expected to be less than 50 kW. As determined by Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. because of the type of connection or location a meter is not feasible in these situations. A detailed calculation of the load will be calculated for billing purposes. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

##### **Standby Power**

This classification refers to an account that has Load Displacement Generation and requires the distributor to provide back-up service.

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#### **Street Lighting**

This classification refers to accounts concerning roadway lighting for a Municipality, Regional Municipality, and/or the Ministry of Transportation. This lighting will be controlled by photocells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times as established in the approved OEB Street Lighting Load Shape Template. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES**

#### **Residential**

Service Charge	\$	15.72
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0146
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048
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	\$	16.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0168
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0043
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	\$	387.83
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.0850
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	0.0752
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7240
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6931
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 Time of Use**

Service Charge	\$	387.83
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.0850
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	0.0752
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2886
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2476
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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**Large Use**

Service Charge	\$	9,467.71
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.9614
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	0.0000
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2949
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2538
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)	\$	7.77
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0165
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0043
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

**Standby Power – APPROVED ON AN INTERIM BASIS**

Standby Charge – for a month where standby power is not provided. The charge is applied to the contracted amount (e.g. nameplate rating of generation facility).	\$/kW	2.6171
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**Street Lighting**

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	0.98
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.8958
Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	0.0666
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3619
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3374
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		
Arrears Certificate	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
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	\$	15.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at Meter - during Regular Hours	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at Meter - after Regular Hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at Pole - during Regular Hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at Pole - after Regular Hours	\$	415.00

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Service Call – customer owned equipment – charge based on time and materials	\$	
Service Call – after regular hours – charge based on time and materials	\$	
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	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

**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	1.0565
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0145
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0462
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0045