Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2007-0698

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 Brantford Power 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 Vlahos Presiding Member

> Bill Rupert Member

RATE ORDER

Brantford Power Inc. ("Brantford" or "the Company") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within the city of Brantford. Brantford 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-2007-0698 to the application.

The School Energy Coalition ("SEC") requested and was granted intervenor status.

The Board issued an Order on April 21, 2008 declaring Brantford's current rates interim, effective May 1, 2008. The Board issued its Decision on Brantford's application on July 18, 2008. In the Decision, the Board ordered the effective date of the new rates to be

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September 1, 2008. The Board noted that disposition of deferral account balances would be over an 8-month period from September 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009. The Board ordered Brantford to file a Draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings.

Brantford filed its Draft Rate Order on July 31, 2008. While SEC had the opportunity to file comments within 6 days from the date of the filing of the Draft Rate Order, the Board did not receive any comments from SEC. Subsequent to the filing, at the request of Board staff, Brantford provided additional information.

The Board has reviewed the information provided in the final revised Draft Rate Order and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges. The Board accepts Brantford's calculation of the Deferral Account Rate Riders to dispose the balances over the specified 8-month period. The Board is satisfied that the Tariff of Rates and Charges 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 September 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 Order supersedes all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Ontario Energy Board for Brantford Power Inc. and is final in all respects, except for the Standby Power rates which are approved on an interim basis.

3. Brantford Power Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, August 29, 2008 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

Appendix "A"

To The Rate Order Arising from Decision

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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 – September 1, 2008 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date. SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES – September 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date. RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES – September 1, 2008 for all charges incurred by retailers or customers on or after that date. LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT – September 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 an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately 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.

General Service Less Than 50 kW

This classification refers to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak 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.

Unmetered Scattered Load

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak 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 boots, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/ documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load.

Standby Power

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

Sentinel Lighting

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light.

Street Lighting

This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photocells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated 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 Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	11.31 0.0133 (0.0008) 0.0058 0.0051 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service Less Than 50 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	24.02 0.0062 (0.0008) 0.0052 0.0045 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	303.21 2.6861 (0.2928) 1.7828 1.5443 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Unmetered Scattered Load		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	11.86 0.0071 (0.0008) 0.0052 0.0045 0.0052 0.0010 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	1.6450

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Sentinel Lighting

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Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	1.19 5.6862 (0.2530) 1.6649 1.4423 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Street Lighting		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2009 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.49 2.0711 (0.2362) 1.6457 1.4257 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Specific Service Charges		
Customer Administration Arrears certificate Easement letter Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges) Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00 30.00
Non-Payment of Account Late Payment - per month Late Payment - per annum Collection of account charge – no disconnection Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Meter – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Meter – after regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Pole - during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Pole - during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Pole - after regular hours	% % \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	1.50 19.56 30.00 65.00 185.00 185.00 415.00
Install/Remove load control device - during regular hours Temporary Service – Install & remove – overhead – no transformer Temporary Service – Install & remove – underground – no transformer Temporary Service – Install & remove – overhead – with transformer Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$\$\$	65.00 500.00 300.00 1000.00 22.35
Allowances Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	\$/kW %	(0.60) (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 Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer Distributor-consolidated billing charge, per customer, per retailer Retailer-consolidated billing credit, per customer, per retailer Service Transaction Requests (STR)	\$ \$ \$/cust. \$/cust. \$/cust.	100.00 20.00 0.50 0.30 (0.30)
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$ \$	0.25
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party 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	\$	0.50
Up to twice a year	٠	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 Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		1.0420 N/A 1.0316 N/A