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



EB-2007-0861

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 Burlington Hydro Inc. pursuant to section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act seeking approval to amend electricity distribution rates.

BEFORE: Paul Vlahos Presiding Member

> Paul Sommerville Member

RATE ORDER

Burlington Hydro Inc. ("Burlington Hydro") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Burlington Hydro 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, to be effective May 1, 2008.

On March 18, 2008, the Board issued its Decision (the "Decision") regarding Burlington Hydro's application.

The Board directed that Burlington Hydro file with the Board a proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges reflecting the Board's Decision, within 7 days of the date of the Decision.

Burlington Hydro has provided the Board with a proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges.

The Board is satisfied that the document accurately reflects the 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.
- The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Order supersedes all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Board for Burlington Hydro and is final in all respects.
- 3. Burlington Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, DATE April 16, 2008

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix "A" To The Rate Order Arising from Decision EB-2007-0861 Burlington Hydro Inc.

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Burlington Hydro 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 Customers

This classification applies to low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electrical energy to residential customers where such energy is used exclusively in 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 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 applies to low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electricity to general service customers whose monthly average peak demand during a calendar year is less than, or forecast by BHI to be less than, 50 kW.

General Service 50 to 4,999 kW

This classification applies to general service customers with a monthly average peak demand during a calendar year equal to or greater than, or is forecast by BHI to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW.

Unmetered Scattered Load

This classification applies to low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electricity to general service customers whose monthly average peak demand during a calendar year is less than, or forecast by BHI 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 customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load.

Street Lighting

This classification refers to roadway lighting customers such as the City of Burlington, the Regional Municipality of Halton, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The daily consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required night time or 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 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 \$	11.79 0.0159 0.0048 0.0048 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service Less Than 50 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate 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	21.19 0.0147 0.0044 0.0043 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	65.90 2.5918 1.8215 1.7641 1.8479 1.8623 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Unmetered Scattered Load		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate 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	10.47 0.0149 0.0044 0.0043 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Street Lighting		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate 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 \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.11 0.8337 1.3505 1.3253 0.0052 0.0010 0.25

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Specific Service Charges

Customer Administration Arrears certificate Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	15.00 15.00
Statement of account	ф Ф	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	Ф Ф	30.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	¢	15.00
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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	\$ \$ \$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter After Hours	\$	185.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles – per pole/year	Ψ \$	22.35
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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		1.0429
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW		1.0325
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		N/A