



EB-2007-0859

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
Haldimand County 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

Haldimand County Hydro Inc. ("Haldimand") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Haldimand 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 Haldimand application.

The Board directed that Haldimand 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.

Haldimand 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.
2. 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 Haldimand and is final in all respects.
3. Haldimand shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, April 22, 2008.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Appendix "A"
To The Rate Order Arising from Decision
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Haldimand County Hydro Inc.

April 22, 2008

Haldimand County Hydro Inc.

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective May 1, 2008

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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

Urban Density

Urban Density is an area containing 100 or more customers with a line density of at least 15 customers per kilometre.

Suburban Density

Suburban Density is an area that is not Urban Density.

Residential

This classification applies to a customer's main place of abode and may include additional buildings served through the same meter, provided they are not rental income units. Residential includes Urban, Suburban and Farm customer's premises which can be occupied on a year-round and seasonal basis. Farm applies to properties actively engaged in agricultural production as defined by Statistics Canada. These premises must be supplied from a single phase primary line. The farm definition does not include tree, sod, or pet farms. Services to year-round pumping stations or other ancillary services remote from the main farm shall be classed as farm.

General Service

General Service does include farms supplied from polyphase primary lines. General Service includes commercial, industrial, educational, administrative, auxiliary and government services. It also includes combination services where a variety of uses are made of the service by the owner of one property.

General Service Less Than 50 kW

This classification applies to a non residential account 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 greater than 1,000 to 5,000 kW interval metered.

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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.

Sentinel Lighting

This classification refers to an account that is an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. (Metered sentinel lighting is captured under the consumption of the principal service.) The consumption for these customers is assumed to have the same hourly consumption load profile as for Street Lighting.

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.

Embedded Distributor

This classification applies to Norfolk Power, an electricity distributor licensed by the Board, that is provided electricity by means of Haldimand County Hydro's facilities.

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

Residential Urban

Service Charge	\$	11.10
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0313
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

Residential Suburban

Service Charge	\$	11.59
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0315
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
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	\$	18.31
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0228
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0037
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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General Service 50 to 4,999 kW

Service Charge	\$	33.87
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	6.0269
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5599
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4784
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.6547
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.6339
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)	\$	9.02
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0235
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0037
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

Sentinel Lighting

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.71
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.6865
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1823
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1668
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

Street Lighting

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.1037
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1764
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1430
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

Embedded Distributor

Monthly Distribution Wheeling Service Rate – Norfolk Power	\$/kW	0.6194
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Norfolk Power	\$/kW	2.4146
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Norfolk Power	\$/kW	2.3974

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Specific Service Charges

Customer Administration		
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	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	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - 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
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35
Bell Canada Pole Rentals	\$	18.08
Norfolk Pole Rentals – Billed	\$	28.61
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	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0460
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Embedded Distributor - Norfolk Power	1.0253