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



EB-2007-0853

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 Northern Ontario Wires 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

Northern Ontario Wires Inc. ("Northern Ontario Wires") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Northern Ontario Wires 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 17, 2008, the Board issued its Decision (the "Decision") regarding Northern Ontario Wires' application.

The Board directed that Northern Ontario Wires 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.

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

DATED at Toronto, April 17, 2008 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix "A" To The Rate Order Arising from Decision EB-2007-0853 Northern Ontario Wires Inc.

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APPLICATION

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- 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 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. 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 average peak demand is less than, or is forecast 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 forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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 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. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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 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. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

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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 \$	16.66 0.0108 0.0044 0.0042 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	21.80 0.0102 0.0040 0.0038 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 Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	209.32 2.0558 1.6425 1.4944 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	11.00 0.0102 0.0040 0.0038 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 \$	1.04 3.3881 1.2388 1.1553 0.0052 0.0010 0.25

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Specific Service Charges

	Customer Administration				
	Arrears Certificate	\$ \$ \$	15.00		
	Returned Cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00		
	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)	Ф Ф	30.00 30.00		
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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 65.00		
	Disconnect/Reconnect at Meter - during Regular Hours Disconnect/Reconnect at Meter - after Regular Hours	¢	65.00 185.00		
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	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 Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$ \$/cust.	20.00 0.50		
	Distributor-consolidated billing charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust. \$/cust.	0.30		
	Retailer-consolidated billing credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.30)		
	Service Transaction Requests (STR)	¢, ouon	(0.00)		
	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 More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	no charge 2.00		
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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		1.0324		
	Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		N/A		