



**EB-2007-0834**

**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 Oakville Hydro  
Electricity Distribution 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**

Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Oakville Hydro") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Oakville 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 17, 2008, the Board issued its Decision (the "Decision") regarding Oakville Hydro's application.

The Board directed that Oakville 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.

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

**DATED** at Toronto, April 15, 2008

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

Appendix "A"  
To The Rate Order Arising from Decision  
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Oakville Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.

April 15, 2008

# Oakville Hydro Electricity 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 class refers to the supply of electrical energy to detached and semi-detached residential buildings as well as farms as defined in the local zoning by-laws. Where the residential dwelling comprises the entire electrical load of a farm, it is defined as a residential service. Where electricity is provided to a combined residential and business (including agricultural usage) and the service does not provide for separate metering, the classification shall be at the discretion of Oakville Hydro and shall be based on such considerations as the estimated predominant consumption.

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

This class refers to customers who do not qualify as residential customers and whose monthly average peak demand in the preceding twelve months is less than 50kW. For new customers without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the proposed capacity or installed transformation. **Note:** Apartment buildings or multi-unit complexes and subdivisions are treated as General Service (Above 50 kW).

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

This class refers to customers whose monthly average peak demand in the preceding twelve months is in the range of 50 to 999 kW. There are two sub categories within this class, those being non-interval and interval metered accounts. For new customers without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the proposed capacity or installed transformation.

##### **General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW**

This class refers to customers whose monthly average peak demand in the preceding twelve months is in the range of 1,000 to 4,999 kW. These accounts will all be interval metered accounts. For new customers without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the proposed capacity or installed transformation.

##### **Large User**

This class refers to customers whose monthly average peak demand in the preceding twelve months is 5,000 kW or greater. These accounts will all be interval metered accounts. For new customers without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the proposed capacity or installed transformation.

##### **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, pedestrian X-Walk signals/beacons, 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**

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

#### **Street Lighting**

All services supplied to street lighting equipment owned by or operated for the Municipality, the Region or the Province of Ontario shall be classified as Street Lighting Service. Street Lighting plant, facilities, or equipment owned by the customer are subject to the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) requirements and Oakville Hydro specifications.

### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES**

#### **Residential**

Service Charge	\$	13.98
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0150
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0049
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	\$	30.35
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0131
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0045
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 999 kW**

Service Charge	\$	198.89
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.9356
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6678
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval metered	\$/kW	1.7218
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6806
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.7350
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 1,000 to 4,999 kW**

Service Charge	\$	3,158.68
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.7251
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval metered	\$/kW	1.7218
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.7350
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

#### **Large Use**

Service Charge	\$	14,789.92
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.7300
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3088
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3266
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010

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Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ 0.25
<b>Unmetered Scattered Load</b>	
Service Charge (per connection)	\$ 15.04
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh 0.0140
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh 0.0044
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh 0.0045
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh 0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh 0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ 0.25
<b>Sentinel Lighting</b>	
Service Charge (per connection)	\$ 0.04
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW 0.6742
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW 0.3343
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW 0.3369
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh 0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh 0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ 0.25
<b>Street Lighting</b>	
Service Charge (per connection)	\$ 0.31
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW 1.8962
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW 1.3914
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW 1.4021
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh 0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh 0.0010
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$ 0.25
<b>Specific Service Charges</b>	
Customer Administration	
Statement of account	\$ 15.00
Pulling post dated cheques	\$ 15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$ 15.00
Easement letter	\$ 15.00
Account history	\$ 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
Special meter reads	\$ 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 at meter – during regular hours	\$ 65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours	\$ 185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$ 185.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$ 500.00
Temporary service install & remove – underground – no transformer	\$ 300.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles (\$/pole/year)	\$ 22.35
Allowances	
Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW (0.50)

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Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	EB-2007-0834 (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	\$	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	1.0525
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0145
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0420
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0045