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



EB-2008-0182

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 Halton Hills Hydro Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2009.

BEFORE: Paul Vlahos Presiding Member

> Ken Quesnelle Member

DECISION AND ORDER

Introduction

Halton Hills Hydro Inc. ("Halton Hills") is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within its licensed service area. Halton Hills 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, 2009.

Halton Hills is one of about 80 electricity distributors in Ontario that are regulated by the Board. In 2008, the Board announced the establishment of a new multi-year electricity distribution rate-setting plan, the 3rd Generation Incentive Rate Mechanism ("IRM") process, that will be used to adjust electricity distribution rates starting in 2009 for those distributors whose 2008 rates were rebased through a cost of service review. As part of the plan, Halton Hills is one of the electricity distributors to have its rates adjusted for 2009 on the basis of the IRM process, which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates and charges between cost of service applications.

To streamline the process for the approval of distribution rates and charges for distributors, the Board issued its *Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on July 14, 2008, its *Supplemental Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on September 17, 2008, and its *Addendum to the Supplemental Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on January 28, 2009 (together the "Reports"). Among other things, the Reports contained the relevant guidelines for 2009 rate adjustments (the "Guidelines") for distributors applying for distribution rate adjustments pursuant to the IRM process.

Notice of Halton Hills' rate application was given through newspaper publication in Halton Hills' service area advising of the availability of the rate application and advising how interested parties may intervene in the proceeding or comment on the application. No letters of comment were received. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") and Board staff posed interrogatories and made submissions. The Board proceeded by way of a written hearing.

While the Board has considered the entire record in this rate application, it has made reference only to such evidence as is necessary to provide context to its findings.

Price Cap Index Adjustment

Halton Hills' rate application was filed on the basis of the Guidelines. In fixing new distribution rates and charges for Halton Hills, the Board has applied the policies described in the Reports.

As outlined in the Reports, distribution rates under the 3rd Generation IRM are to be adjusted by a price escalator less a productivity factor (X-factor) of 0.72% and Halton Hills' utility specific stretch factor of 0.4%. Based on the final 2008 data published by Statistics Canada, the Board has established the price escalator to be 2.3%. The resulting price cap index adjustment is therefore 1.18%. The rate model was adjusted to reflect the newly calculated price cap adjustment. This price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across all customer classes. An adjustment for the transition to a common deemed capital structure of 60% debt and 40% equity was also effected. A change in the federal income tax rate effective January 1, 2009 was incorporated into the rate model and reflected in distribution rates.

The Federal Budget enacted on February 3, 2009 included an increase in the small business income limit from \$400,000 to \$500,000 effective January 1, 2009, and a change in the capital cost allowance (CCA) applicable to certain computer equipment and related system software (CCA class 50) acquired between January 27, 2009 and February 2011. The Board has considered these fiscal changes and determined that the rate model will be adjusted to reflect the increase in the federal small business income limit for affected distributors. With regard to the change in the CCA, the Board notes that this change would be captured in the revenue requirement calculation as it relates to smart meters when a distributor applies for cost recovery for the applicable investment period. For other computer equipment and related system software in class 50, the Board concludes that this adjustment is not required since it does not appear to be material.

The price cap index adjustment does not apply to the following components of distribution rates:

- Rate Riders;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- Rural Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply service Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Retail Service Charges;
- Loss Factors; and
- Smart Meter Funding Adder.

Bill 44 – Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILs)

On December 13, 2007, the Ontario government introduced its *2007 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review*. Bill 44, the enabling legislation, received Royal Assent on May 14, 2008, and was promulgated in *The Ontario Gazette* on May 24, 2008. The resulting tax provision changes resulted in a decrease in PILs for Halton Hills.

The Board's Decision in EB-2007-0696, Halton Hills' 2008 cost of service application ("2008 CoS"), was issued on March 27, 2008, prior to Bill 44 being enacted. Accordingly, Halton Hills' revenue requirement was calculated on the tax rates that existed prior to the enactment of Bill 44. Board staff noted that some 2008 CoS proceedings required more time to process than others. As a result, some applications that were filed with the Board at around the same time as Halton Hills filed its 2008 CoS application had their Decisions issued after May 24, 2008, with their resulting electricity distribution rates reflecting the lower tax rates. Board staff submitted that for consistency and fairness across electricity distributors, the difference in PILs Halton Hills is collecting in its distribution rates as a result of its 2008 CoS Decision having been issued before May 24, 2008, should be removed as of May 1, 2009. Board staff also submitted that the additional amounts Halton Hills collected in the 2008 rate year should remain with Halton Hills, as it appropriately reflected the Board Decision (EB-2007-0696) for that rate year. Board staff further submitted that Halton Hills' distribution rates should be adjusted to reduce the revenues collected by \$41,889.

Halton Hills agreed with Board staff's submission and the calculated amount.

The Board finds Board staff's proposed adjustment appropriate and has reflected these changes in the attached draft Tariff of Rates and Charges (Appendix A).

Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Adjustment

In accordance with Ontario Regulation 442/01, Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection ("RRRP") (made under the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*) the Board issued a Decision on December 17, 2008 setting out the amount to be charged by the Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO") with respect to the RRRP for each kilowatt-hour of electricity that is withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid.

In a letter dated December 17, 2008 the Board directed distributors that had a rate application before the Board to file a request with the Board that the RRRP charge in their tariff sheet be revised to 0.13 cent per kilowatt-hour effective May 1, 2009.

Halton Hills complied with this directive. The rate model was adjusted to reflect the new RRRP charge.

Smart Meter Funding Adder

On October 22, 2008 the Board issued a Guideline for Smart Meter Funding and Cost Recovery ("Smart Meter Guideline") which sets out the Board's filing requirements in relation to the funding of, and the recovery of costs associated with, smart meter activities conducted by electricity distributors.

As set out in the Smart Meter Guideline, a distributor that plans to implement smart meters in the rate year must include, as part of the application, evidence that the distributor is authorized to conduct smart meter activities in accordance with applicable law.

Halton Hills reports that it is authorized to conduct smart meter activities because it has procured smart meters pursuant to and in compliance with the August 14, 2007 Request for Proposal issued by London Hydro Inc.

Halton Hills requested the standard smart meter funding adder of \$1.00 per metered customer per month, which is intended to provide funding in the case where a distributor may be in the early stages of planning and may not yet have sufficient cost information to request a utility-specific funding adder. The Board approves the funding adder as proposed by Halton Hills. This new funding adder is reflected in the Tariff of Rates and Charges that is appended to this Decision and Order. Halton Hills' variance accounts for smart meter program implementation costs, previously authorized by the Board, shall also be continued.

The Board notes that the smart meter funding adder of \$1.00 per metered customer per month is intended to provide funding for Halton Hills' smart metering activities in the 2009 rate year. The Board has not made any finding on the prudence of the proposed smart meter activities, including any costs for smart meters or advanced metering infrastructure whose functionality exceeds the minimum functionality adopted in O. Reg. 425/06, or costs associated with functions for which the Smart Metering Entity has the exclusive authority to carry out pursuant to O. Reg. 393/07. Such costs will be considered at the time that Halton Hills applies for the recovery of these costs.

Revenue-to-Cost Ratios

Revenue-to-cost ratios ("Ratios") measure the relationship between the revenues expected from a class of customers and the level of costs allocated to that class. The Board has established target Ratio ranges (the "Target Ranges") for Ontario electricity distributors in its report *Application of Cost Allocation for Electricity Distributors*, dated November 28, 2007. In its EB-2007-0696 Decision, the Board made findings with regard to Halton Hills' Ratios and directed that they be incrementally adjusted over time, starting in 2008 (the "2008 Ratios").

Halton Hills proposed to adjust its Ratios as shown in Column 2 of Table 1.

Rate Class	2008 Ratio	Proposed 2009 Ratio	Target Range		
	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3		
Residential	93.6	89.5	85 – 115		
GS < 50 kW	96.6	93.3	80 – 120		
GS 50 – 999 kW	144.2	149.6	80 – 180		
GS 1000 – 4999 kW	119.1	139.0	80 - 180		
Street Lighting	33.3	42.2	70 – 120		
Sentinel Lighting	50.0	56.5	70 – 120		
USL	100.0	93.0	80 – 120		

 Table 1 – Halton Hills' Revenue-to-Cost Ratios (%)

In response to Board staff interrogatory 2. a), Halton Hills stated that it is committed to move, over the next three years, the Ratios of its Street Lighting and Sentinel Lighting rate classes to 70% and the Ratios of the remaining rate classes to 100%. VECC submitted that any consideration of movement in the Ratios beyond the Board's Target Ranges should at least await the completion of the rate model revisions listed below. VECC also stated that such movement should await further refinement in the cost allocation methodology and data used.

Board staff noted in its submission that, for the purpose of calculating the Ratio adjustments, the rate model allocates the low voltage charges and transformer allowance "costs" across rate classes in a way that may differ from how they were allocated in Halton Hills 2008 CoS. Board staff submitted that this difference is immaterial and that Halton Hills' proposed Ratio adjustments are reasonable and in compliance with its 2008 CoS Decision (EB-2007-0696). Board staff also noted that the rate model will be adjusted next year to enable distributors to reflect how the low voltage charges and transformer allowance "costs" were allocated for the purpose of calculating their Ratios in their 2008 CoS. Accordingly, any differences in the calculation of the Ratios in the 2009 rate model will be reversed in the 2010 rate model next year.

In its submission, VECC concurred with Board staff's observations regarding the allocation of the transformer allowance "costs" and low voltage charges. VECC however noted two additional concerns with the rate model.

First, VECC submitted that the Ratios shown in Column 1 of Table 1 should be used as the starting point for the 2009 Ratio adjustments. In contrast, the rate model estimates what the actual 2008 Ratios were and uses these estimates as the starting point for the 2009 Ratio adjustments. VECC submitted that the approach underlying the rate model only works if the billing parameters (i.e., kWhs, kWs and customer count) represent close to the same proportions by rate class in 2009 as they did in Halton Hills' Cost Allocation Informational filing. VECC submitted that the Board should direct Board staff to revisit this part of the rate model next year.

Second, VECC noted that Halton Hills' Cost Allocation Informational filing allocated distribution service revenues and miscellaneous revenues across rate classes, whereas the rate model only allocates distribution service revenues. VECC noted that the impact of this difference in methodology is likely small. VECC submitted that the Board should direct Board staff to revisit this part of the rate model next year.

In light of the adjustments proposed by Board staff to the rate model next year, and VECC's additional two proposed changes in methodology for next year, VECC submitted that there was no need to make any changes to Halton Hills' proposed Ratio adjustments at this time.

The Board sees merits in Board staff's proposed adjustments to the rate model and VECC's proposed additional adjustments. The Board expects Board staff to consider those adjustments when preparing the rate model for next year. The Board notes that VECC and Board staff recommended that Halton Hills' proposed 2009 Ratio adjustments be approved as submitted. The Board endorses the rate adjustments to achieve Halton Hills' proposed ratios as they follow the direction and intent of the 2008 cost of service Decision (EB-2007-0696) and are reasonable. The Board also notes that the filing of Halton Hills' plan to move its Ratios to 100% over the term of the IRM plan was consistent with the direction provided in its 2008 cost of service Decision.

Retail Transmission Service Rates

On October 22, 2008 the Board issued a Guideline for *Electricity Distribution Retail Transmission Service Rates* ("RTSR Guideline") which provides electricity distributors with instructions on the evidence needed, and the process to be used, to adjust Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSRs") to reflect changes in the Ontario Uniform Transmission Rates ("UTRs").

On August 28, 2008, the Board issued its Decision and Rate Order in proceeding EB-2008-0113, setting new UTRs for Ontario transmitters, effective January 1, 2009. The Board approved an increase of 11.3% to the wholesale transmission network rate, an increase of 18.6% to the wholesale transmission line connection rate, and an increase of 0.6% to the wholesale transformation connection rate. The combined change in the wholesale transmission line and transformation connection rates is an increase of about 5%.

Electricity distributors are charged the UTRs at the wholesale level and subsequently pass these charges on to their distribution customers through the RTSRs. There are two RTSRs, whereas there are three UTRs. The two RTSRs are for network and connection. The wholesale line and transformation connection rates are combined into one retail connection service charge. Deferral accounts are also used to capture timing differences and differences in the rate that a distributor pays for wholesale transmission service compared to the retail rate that the distributor is authorized to charge when billing its customers (i.e., deferral accounts 1584 and 1586).

In the RTSR Guideline the Board directed all electricity distributors to propose an adjustment to their RTSRs to reflect the new UTRs for Ontario transmitters effective January 1, 2009. The objective of resetting the rates was to minimize the prospective balances in deferral accounts 1584 and 1586.

In response to Board staff interrogatories, Halton Hills revised its application and submitted a proposal to increase its RTSR – Network Service Rates by 11.3% and to increase its RTSR – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rates by 5.5%. Halton Hills indicated that these adjustments were appropriate as they reflect the expected increase in charges payable by Halton Hills resulting from the UTR changes. The Board finds that this approach is reasonable and approves these adjustments.

The Board is providing Halton Hills with a rate model (spreadsheet) and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges (Appendix A) that reflects the elements of this Decision. The Board also reviewed the entries in the rate model to ensure that they were in accordance with the 2008 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges and the rate model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies.

The Board Orders That:

Halton Hills' new distribution rates will be effective May 1, 2009. The Board Orders that:

 Halton Hills shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. Halton Hills shall file with the Board a written confirmation assessing the completeness and accuracy of the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information, within seven (7) calendar days of the date of this Decision and Order.

If the Board does not receive a submission by Halton Hills to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 1 of this Decision and Order:

- 2. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order will become final, effective May 1, 2009, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2009.
- 3. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order shall supersede all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Board for Halton Hills and is final in all respects.
- 4. Halton Hills shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

If the Board receives a submission by Halton Hills to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 1 of this Decision and Order, the Board will consider the submission of Halton Hills and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.

DATED at Toronto, March 17, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix A

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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, 2009 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date. SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES - May 1, 2009 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date. RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES – May 1, 2009 for all charges incurred by retailers or customers on or after that date. LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT – May 1, 2009 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 applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate 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. The customer will be supplied at one service entrance only.

General Service Less Than 50 kW

This classification applies to a non residential 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.

General Service 50 to 999 kW

This classification applies to a non-residential customer with an average peak demand equal to or greater than 50 kW over the past twelve months, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than 50 kW, but less than 1,000 kW. For a new customer without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the proposed capacity or installed transformer.

General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW

This classification applies to a non-residential customers with an average peak demand equal to or greater than 1,000 kW over the past twelve months, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than 1,000 kW, but less than 5,000 kW. For a new customer without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on 90% of the installed transformer.

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

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 Halton Hills Hydro specifications.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

Residential

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 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	13.94 0.0133 0.0003 0.0042 0.0038 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
Residential (Time of Use)		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 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	13.94 0.0133 0.0003 0.0042 0.0038 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
General Service Less Than 50 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 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	29.26 0.0100 0.0002 0.0038 0.0035 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
General Service 50 to 999 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 Tax Change Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010 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 \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	80.35 3.9568 0.0497 (0.0027) 1.6553 1.5081 0.0052 0.0013 0.25

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General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW

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Unmetered Scattered Load		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 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	12.69 0.0095 0.0002 0.0038 0.0035 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
Sentinel Lighting		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 Tax Change Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010 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 \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	2.10 8.3288 0.0704 (0.0087) 1.1813 1.0857 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
Street Lighting		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Deferral Account Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011 Tax Change Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010 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 \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	1.29 17.9014 0.0625 (0.0168) 1.1754 1.0635 0.0052 0.0013 0.25
Specific Service Charges		
Customer Administration Arrears certificate Statement of account Pulling post dated cheques Duplicate invoices for previous billing Request for other billing information Easement letter Income tax letter Notification charge	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00

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Account history Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Returned cheque (plus bank charges) Charge to certify cheque Legal letter charge Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Special meter reads Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	**	EB-2008-0182 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00 30.00 30.00
Non-Payment of Account Late Payment - per month Late Payment - per annum Collection of account charge – no disconnection Collection of account charge – no disconnection – after regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	% % \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	1.50 19.56 30.00 165.00 65.00 185.00 185.00 415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours Service call – customer owned equipment Service call – after regular hours Interval Meter Charge 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 (\$/pole/year)	\$\$	65.00 185.00 30.00 165.00 20.00 500.00 300.00 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 %	(0.50) (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 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 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	\$ \$	0.25 0.50
Up to twice a year More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	no charge 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		1.0499 N/A 1.0395 N/A