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



EB-2009-0266

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 Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

BEFORE:

Marika Hare Presiding Member

Ken Quesnelle Member

RATE ORDER

Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited ("Hearst Power" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on April 28, 2010, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) seeking approval for changes to the rates that Hearst Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on February 15, 2011. The Board approved an effective date of February 1, 2011 for the rate changes, and anticipated an implementation date of April 1, 2011.

The Board ordered the Applicant to file a Draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings in the Decision. Hearst Power filed a Draft Rate Order and supporting material on March 8, 2011, and an amended Draft Rate Order on April 6, 2011.

As provided for in the Decision, Hearst Power has included a rate rider, to be in effect until April 30, 2012, to recover the foregone revenue for the period between the effective date of February 1, 2011 and the implementation date of April 1, 2011.

The Board has reviewed all of the information provided in support of the amended Draft Rate Order and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges. The Board is satisfied that the Tariff of Rates and Charges accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order is approved effective February 1, 2011, and implemented April 1, 2011, for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after the implementation date.
- 2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Order supersedes all previous Tariff of Rates and Charges approved by the Board for Hearst and is final in all respects.
- 3. Hearst Power Distribution Company Limited shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, April 13, 2011 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix "A"

TO RATE ORDER

Tariff of Rates and Charges

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts for customers residing in single dwelling units that consist of a detached house, semi detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, or individually metered apartment building. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	9.00
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	2.50
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.24
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0156
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0043)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0009
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	19.50
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	2.50
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	2.24
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0066
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0040)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	(0.0004)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0040
MONTHLY DATES AND CHARGES - Degulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 1,499 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	66.00
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	2.50
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	5.63
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.7945
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2270
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(1.3889)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.0079
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9563
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5861
MONTHLY BATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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INTERMEDIATE USERS SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to a non residential account whose monthly average peak is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 1500 kW but less than 5000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	220.00
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	2.50
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	25.06
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.0077
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2677
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(1.2268)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.0671
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1880
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8708
MONTHLY DATES AND CHARGES Degulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification is a sub-category of the street lighting load. These customers are billed on a fixed load based on the size of bulb. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	7.00
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.46
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.0778
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1791
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(5.5214)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.2111
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4829
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2404

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to roadway lighting within the town, and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers is 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 – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	5.50
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.69
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.6027
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1755
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0051
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(3.1332)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Foregone Revenue – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.0772
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4753
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2151
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate\$/kWh0.0052Rural Rate Protection Charge\$/kWh0.0013Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)\$0.25

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microFIT GENERATOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Ontario Power Authority's microFIT program and connected to the distributor's distribution system. Further servicing details are available in the utility's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge

5.25

\$

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ALLOWANCES

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Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$	(0.45)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)
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SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

APPLICATION

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Customer Administration		
Arrears Certificate	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque charge (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
Special meter reads	\$	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	\$	40.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at Meter - after Regular Hours	\$	time and materials
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	40.00
Temporary service install and remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	time and materials
Temporary service install and remove – underground – no transformer	\$	time and materials
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35

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RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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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 be Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	etween the distributor and the retailer	\$ \$	100.00 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	I electronically through the		
Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requi	esting party		
Up to twice a year			no charge
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery	costs)	\$	2.00

LOSS FACTORS

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0460
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0356
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A