



EB-2009-0265

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

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel
Presiding Member

RATE ORDER

Haldimand County Hydro Inc. (“Haldimand” or the “Applicant”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”), on August 28, 2009, 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 Haldimand charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2010. Haldimand owns and operates the electricity distribution system in its licensed service area in Haldimand County.

The Board assigned the application file number EB-2009-0265 and issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on September 16, 2009. The Board approved four interventions: Energy Probe Research Foundation (“Energy Probe”), School Energy Coalition (“SEC”), Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (“VECC”) and a residential customer Ms. Lisa Pryor.

The Board issued its Decision and Order on Haldimand's application on March 31, 2010. In the Decision, the Board ordered Haldimand to file a Draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings for rates effective May 1, 2010. The Board indicated that it expected Haldimand to file detailed supporting material, including all relevant

calculations showing the impact of the Board's Decision on the Applicant's proposed revenue requirement, the allocation of the approved revenue requirement to the classes and the determination of the final rates, including bill impacts.

Haldimand filed the Draft Rate Order on April 14, 2010. Intervenors and Board staff were given five days to review and file comments on the Draft Rate Order. Haldimand was required to respond to the comments within three days. The Board received comments from Board staff, Energy Probe and VECC. VECC did not specifically comment on the Draft Rate Order but supported the comments and clarification sought by Energy Probe.

Board staff noted that the Tariff of Rates and Charges for the embedded distributor Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") included the Regulatory Component charges and sought clarification on why these charges applied to Hydro One. Staff noted that the Regulatory Component charges did not apply to Haldimand's other embedded distributor, Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. In response, Haldimand clarified that for seven metering points connecting Hydro One to Haldimand, the latter was the wholesale market participant and paid the Independent Electricity System Operator all electricity related charges and settled with Hydro One using Haldimand's retail billing process. It was appropriate therefore to include the Regulatory Component for the Embedded Distributor Hydro One.

Energy Probe sought clarifications or additional information on three issues:

1. Calculations to support the distribution revenue at current rates
2. Changes in the mix of RPP and non-RPP volumes as a result of the Board Decision
3. Verification of cost of power purchased based on the Board approved billing forecast of 347 GWh.

In response, Haldimand provided detailed tables and calculations as requested.

The Board has reviewed the information provided and is satisfied that the proposed 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 May 1, 2010 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
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 26, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Appendix "A"

To Rate Order

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

APPLICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	12.23
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	1.87
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0334
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0021
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	(0.0014)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery - effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	0.0022
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0046

MONTHLY RATES 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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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	28.60
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	1.87
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0202
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0021
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	(0.0012)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery - effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042

MONTHLY RATES 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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GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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- 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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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	102.48
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	1.87
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	5.3113
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1502
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.8822
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	(0.4414)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery - effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	0.0412
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9253
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6749
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.0423
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.8512

MONTHLY RATES 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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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	20.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0027
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	(0.0019)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042

MONTHLY RATES 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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SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	7.34
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	18.9349
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1103
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.7389
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	(3.0344)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4592
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3220

MONTHLY RATES 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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STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.83
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.7995
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1081
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.7534
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kW	(3.1585)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4519
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2950

MONTHLY RATES 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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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 distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component – effective September 21, 2009

Service Charge	\$	5.25
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**EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION FOR HYDRO
ONE NETWORKS INC.**

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	181.51
Distribution Wheeling Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5594
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4907
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1820

MONTHLY RATES 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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**EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION FOR
NORFOLK POWER DISTRIBUTION INC. – effective until December 31, 2010**

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

Distribution Wheeling Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6201
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.9802
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.7162

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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)

SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES**APPLICATION**

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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

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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 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

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	1.0680
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0573
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Embedded Distributor – Hydro One Networks Inc.	1.0305
Total Loss Factor – Embedded Distributor – Norfolk Power – effective until December 31, 2010	1.0442