



**EB-2010-0098**

**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 Middlesex  
Power Distribution Corporation for an order or orders  
approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates  
and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2011.

**BEFORE:** Karen Taylor  
Presiding Member

Paula Conboy  
Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

### **Introduction**

Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation ("Middlesex Power"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 1, 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 Middlesex Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011.

Middlesex Power is one of 80 electricity distributors in Ontario regulated by the Board. Middlesex Power is one of the electricity distributors that will have its rates adjusted for 2011 on the basis of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Incentive Rate Mechanism ("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 Cost of Capital and 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* (the "Report") on December 20, 2006. Among other things, the Report contained the relevant guidelines for 2011 rate adjustments for distributors applying for distribution rate adjustments pursuant to the IRM process. On July 9, 2010 the Board issued an update to Chapter 3 of the Board's *Filing Requirements for Transmission and Distribution Applications* (the "Filing Requirements"), which outlines the Filing Requirements for IRM applications based on the policies in the Report.

Notice of Middlesex Power's rate application was given through newspaper publication in Middlesex Power's service area advising interested parties where the rate application could be viewed and advising how they could intervene in the proceeding or comment on the application. The Board received one letter of comment. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition applied and was granted intervenor status in this proceeding in relation to Middlesex Power's proposal for lost revenue adjustment mechanism recovery. Board staff also participated in the proceeding. The Board proceeded by way of a written hearing.

While the Board has considered the entire record in this proceeding, it has made reference only to such evidence as is necessary to provide context to its findings. The following issues are addressed in this Decision and Order:

- Price Cap Index Adjustment;
- Changes in the Federal and Provincial Income Tax Rates;
- Smart Meter Funding Adder;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts;
- Review and Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism; and
- Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs.

### **Price Cap Index Adjustment**

Middlesex Power's rate application was filed on the basis of the Filing Requirements. In fixing new distribution rates and charges for Middlesex Power, the Board has applied the policies described in the Filing Requirements and the Reports.

As outlined in the Reports, distribution rates under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation IRM are to be adjusted by a price escalator less a productivity factor (X-factor) of 1.0%. Based on the final 2010 data published by Statistics Canada, the Board has established the price escalator to be 1.3%. The resulting price cap index adjustment is therefore 0.3%. The rate model reflects this price cap index adjustment. The price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across all customer classes.

The price cap index adjustment will not apply to the following components of delivery rates:

- Rate Riders;
- Rate Adders;
- Low Voltage Service Charges;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- Rural Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply service – Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Loss Factors;
- Specific Service Charges;
- MicroFIT Service Charge; and
- Retail Service Charges.

### **Changes in the Federal and Provincial Income Tax Rates**

In 2011, the maximum income tax rate is 28.25%, the minimum rate for those distributors eligible for both the federal and Ontario small business deduction is 15.50%, and the blended tax rate varies for certain distributors that are only eligible for the Ontario small business deduction. The model provided to distributors calculates the amount of change caused by the tax rate reductions and adjusts distribution rates by 100% of the total change from those taxes included in the most recent cost of service base distribution rates.

The Board finds that a 100% flow through of the impact of changes from the tax level reflected in the Board-approved base rates to the currently known legislated tax level for 2011 is appropriate and shall be effected by means of an adjustment to the Monthly

Service Charge and the Volumetric Distribution Charge.

### **Smart Meter Funding Adder**

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

Middlesex Power requested to change its smart meter funding adder ("SMFA") from \$1.26 to a \$1.03 per metered customer per month. Following corrections made to the model in Board staff interrogatory # 9, the SMFA was revised to \$1.18.

The Board notes that the SMFA is a tool designed to provide advance funding and to mitigate the anticipated rate impact of smart meter costs when recovery of those costs is approved by the Board. The Board also observes that the SMFA was not intended to be compensatory (return on and of capital) on a cumulative basis over the term the SMFA was in effect. The SMFA was initially designed to fund future investment, not fully fund prior capital investment. Such treatment increases the risk, absent a prudence review, of over recovery. The Board is not saying that prudently incurred costs are not recoverable; it is stating that a determination of full recovery will be made as part of an application for a prudence review.

Since the deployment of smart meters on a province-wide basis is now nearing completion, and for the reasons noted earlier, the Board expects distributors to file for a final prudence review at the earliest possible opportunity following the availability of audited costs. For those distributors that are scheduled to file a cost of service application for 2012 distribution rates, the Board expects that they will apply for the disposition of smart meter costs and subsequent inclusion in rate base. For those distributors that are scheduled to remain on IRM, the Board expects these distributors to file an application with the Board seeking final approval for smart meter related costs. In the interim, the Board will approve a SMFA of \$1.18 per metered customer per month from May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012. This new SMFA will be reflected in the Tariff of Rates and Charges, and will cease on April 30, 2012. Middlesex Power's variance accounts for smart meter program implementation costs, previously authorized by the Board, shall be continued.

In its EB-2007-0867 decision dated March 17, 2008, the Board approved a smart meter disposition rider of \$1.23 per metered customer per month for residential smart meters installed up to April 30, 2007. The disposition rider was effective May 1, 2008 and will be in place until Middlesex Power's distribution rates are rebased. Similarly, in its EB-2008-0155 Decision and Order dated November 25, 2008, the Board approved a smart meter disposition rider of \$0.77 per metered customer per month for smart meters installed from May 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. This disposition rider became effective on May 1, 2009 and will be effective until Middlesex Power's distribution rates are rebased. In this 2011 IRM application, Middlesex Power requested the continuation of the above two existing disposition riders. As these riders have been previously approved by the Board until the time of rate rebasing, Middlesex Power did not need to seek approval for their continuation as part of its 2011 IRM application.

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 Middlesex Power applies for the recovery of these costs on a final basis, if applicable.

### **Retail Transmission Service Rates**

Electricity distributors are charged the Ontario Uniform Transmission Rates ("UTRs") at the wholesale level and subsequently pass these charges on to their distribution customers through the Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSRs"). Variance accounts are 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., variance accounts 1584 and 1586).

On July 8, 2010 the Board issued revision 2.0 of the *Guideline G-2008-0001 - Electricity Distribution Retail Transmission Service Rates* (the "RTSR Guideline"). The RTSR Guideline outlines the information that the Board requires electricity distributors to file to adjust their RTSRs for 2011. The RTSR Guideline requires electricity distributors to adjust their RTSRs based on a comparison of historical transmission costs adjusted for the new UTR levels and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. The objective

of resetting the rates is to minimize the prospective balances in accounts 1584 and 1586. In order to assist electricity distributors in the calculation of the distributor's specific RTSRs, Board staff provided a filing module. On January 18, 2011, the Board issued its Rate Order for Hydro One Transmission (EB-2010-0002) which adjusted the UTRs effective January 1, 2011. The new UTRs are shown in the following table:

Uniform Transmission Rates	kW Monthly Rates		Change
	Jan 1, 2010	Jan 1, 2011	
Network Service Rate	\$2.97	\$3.22	+8.4%
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>			
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.73	\$0.79	
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.71	\$1.77	
			+4.9%

The Board has adjusted each distributor's rate application model to incorporate these changes.

Based on the filing module provided by Board staff and the new UTRs effective January 1, 2011 noted in the table above, the Board approves the changes to the RSTRs calculated in the filing module.

### **Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts**

The *Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Report* (the "EDDVAR Report") provides that, during the IRM plan term, the distributor's Group 1 account balances will be reviewed and disposed if the preset disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh (debit or credit) is exceeded. The onus is on the distributor to justify why any account balance in excess of the threshold should not be disposed.

Middlesex Power's Group 1 account balances did not exceed the preset disposition threshold referenced above. The Board therefore finds that no disposition is required at this time.

### **Review and Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism ("LRAM")**

In its original filing, Middlesex Power sought approval to recover an LRAM claim in the

total amount of \$77,105 over a one year period.

The Board's Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management (the "CDM Guidelines") issued on March 28, 2008 outlines the information that is required when filing an application for LRAM or SSM.

The Board's decision on LRAM in the Horizon application (EB-2009-0192) stated that distributors are to use the most current input assumptions which have been adopted by the Board when preparing their LRAM applications as these assumptions represent the best estimate of the impacts of the programs.

In response to interrogatories from VECC on the source of the input assumptions Middlesex Power used in its original LRAM claim, Middlesex Power revised its original LRAM amount by recalculating its LRAM claim using the OEB Assumptions and Measures List (October 14, 2005). Middlesex Power revised the LRAM claim from \$77,105 to \$75,714.

In its submission, VECC submitted that it has reviewed and accepted Middlesex Power's revised LRAM claim.

In its submission, Board staff stated that Middlesex Power's application for LRAM recovery is consistent with the Board's Guidelines and the Board's decision on the Horizon application (EB-2009-0192) and supports the approval of the updated LRAM amount of \$75,714 as found within Middlesex Power's response to Board Staff interrogatory 1(c). Middlesex Power lowered its LRAM request from the originally requested \$77,105, based on the receipt of finalized program results from the OPA on December 21, 2010.

The Board continues to endorse the principle of LRAM, which is that distributors are to be kept whole for revenue that they have forgone as a direct consequence of implementing CDM programs. The Board is of the view that the most current OPA Measures and Assumptions List, as updated by the OPA from time to time, represents the best estimate of losses associated with a distributor's CDM programs.

The Board approves the recovery of an LRAM amount of \$75,714 which is consistent with the principles set out in the Horizon decision.

## **Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs**

In its application, Middlesex Power requested the recovery of a one time expense of \$25,780.68 related to the late payment penalty (“LPP”) costs and damages resulting from a court settlement that addressed litigation against many of the former municipal electricity utilities in Ontario.

On October 29, 2010 the Board commenced a generic proceeding on its own motion to determine whether Affected Electricity Distributors<sup>1</sup>, including Middlesex Power, should be allowed to recover from their ratepayers the costs and damages incurred as a result of the Minutes of Settlement approved on April 21, 2010 by the Honourable Mr. Justice Cumming of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Court File No. 94-CQ-r0878) and as amended by addenda dated July 7, 2010 and July 8, 2010 in the late payment penalty class action and if so, the form and timing of such recovery. This proceeding was assigned file No. EB-2010-0295.

On February 22, 2011, the Board issued its Decision and Order and determined that it is appropriate for the Affected Electricity Distributors to be eligible to recover the costs and damages associated with the LPP class action in rates. The decision set out a listing of each Affected Electricity Distributor and their share of the class action costs that is approved for recovery. The Board also directed Affected Electricity Distributors such as Middlesex Power to file with the Board detailed calculations including supporting documentation, outlining the derivation of the rate riders based on the methodology outlined in the EB-2010-0295 Decision and Order. The Board noted that the rate riders submitted would be verified in each Affected Electricity Distributor’s IRM or cost of service application, as applicable. Middlesex Power elected to recover the amount approved in the EB-2010-0295 proceeding and accordingly filed the associated rate riders.

The Board has reviewed Middlesex Power’s proposed rate riders and approves them as filed.

## **Rate Model**

With this Decision, the Board is providing Middlesex Power with a rate model (spreadsheet) and applicable supporting models and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges

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<sup>1</sup> As defined in the Board’s Decision and Order EB-2010-0295

(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 2010 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges and the rate model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies.

### **THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. Middlesex Power's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2011.
2. Middlesex Power shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. Middlesex Power 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.
3. If the Board does not receive a submission from Middlesex Power to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this order will become final effective May 1, 2011, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2011. Middlesex Power shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.
4. If the Board receives a submission from Middlesex Power to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the Board will consider the submission of Middlesex Power and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.
5. Middlesex Power shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

### **Cost Awards**

The Board will issue a separate decision on cost awards once the following steps are completed:

1. Intervenors eligible for cost awards shall submit their cost claims by no later than 14

days from the date of this Decision and Order.

2. Middlesex Power shall file its response, if any, by no later than 28 days from the date of this Decision and Order.
3. Intervenors shall file their reply to Middlesex Power's response by no later than 35 days from the date of this Decision and Order.

All filings to the Board must quote file number **EB-2010-0098**, be made through the Board's web portal at, [www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca](http://www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca) and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca). If the web portal is not available parties may email their document to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

**DATED** at Toronto, March 17, 2011

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

**Appendix A**

**To Decision and Order**

**Draft Tariff of Rates and Charges**

**Board File No: EB-2010-0098**

**DATED: March 17, 2011**

# Middlesex Power Distribution Corp.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2011

**This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors**

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less and includes:

All services supplied to single-family dwelling units for domestic or household purposes,

All multi-unit residential establishments such as apartments of 6 or less units.

If a service supplies a combination of residential and commercial load and wiring does not permit separate metering, the classification of this customer will be determined individually by the distributor. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

## APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order 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 or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges or assessments that are required by law to be charged by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, charges for Ministry of Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Program, the Provincial Benefit and any applicable taxes.

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	13.76
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.18
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 2 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	1.23
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 3 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	0.77
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.26
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0139
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism (SSM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0013
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051

## 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

# Middlesex Power Distribution Corp.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2011

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## GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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 and includes multi-unit residential establishments such as apartment buildings supplied through one service (bulk-metered). Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

### APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order 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 or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	18.18
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.18
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 2 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	1.23
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 3 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	0.77
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.31
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism (SSM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0045

### 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

# Middlesex Power Distribution Corp.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2011

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## GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a non residential account whose average monthly maximum demand used for billing purposes 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 distributor's Conditions of Service. Note that for the application of the Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate and the Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate the following sub-classifications apply:

- General Service 50 to 5,000 kW non-interval metered
- General Service 50 to 5,000 kW interval metered

### APPLICATION

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Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	43.44
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.18
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 2 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	1.23
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 3 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	0.77
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	3.03
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.4397
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1010
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism (SSM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3471
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8235
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.6057
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.0529

### 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

# Middlesex Power Distribution Corp.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

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## LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account whose average monthly maximum demand used for billing purposes over the most recent 12 consecutive months is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 5,000 kW. 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	\$	3,667.79
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.18
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 2 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	1.23
Smart Meter Disposition Rider 3 – effective until next cost of service application	\$	0.77
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	22.55
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.0540
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1297
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.7603
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2860

### 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.

### APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	9.10
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.11
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0045

### 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 accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. 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 (per connection)	\$	0.18
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.9878
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0815
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7790
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4392

### 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)	\$	0.14
Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	0.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.5788
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0788
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7698
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4097

### 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.

**APPLICATION**

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**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	5.25
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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

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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 (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
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter During Regular Hours	\$	65.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35
Switching for company maintenance – Charge based on Time and Materials	\$	

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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	1.0608
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0145
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0501
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0045