

EB-2010-0087

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, 2011.

BEFORE: Karen Taylor

Presiding Member

Paula Conboy Member

DECISION AND ORDER

Introduction

Halton Hills Hydro Inc. ("Halton Hills"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") received on October 4, 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 Halton Hills charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2011.

Halton Hills is one of 80 electricity distributors in Ontario 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, which would 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 that will have its rates adjusted

for 2011 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 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 Reports.

Notice of Halton Hills' rate application was given through newspaper publication in Halton Hills' 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. No letters of comment were received. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied and was granted intervenor status in this proceeding. VECC was granted cost eligibility for participation in the proceeding in relation to Halton Hills' revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments. 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;
- Revenue-to-Cost Ratios;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts; and
- Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs.

Price Cap Index Adjustment

Halton Hills' rate application was filed on the basis of the Filing Requirements. In fixing new distribution rates and charges for Halton Hills, the Board has applied the policies described in the Filing Requirements and 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 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 0.18%. 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 its Supplemental Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors dated September 17, 2008, the Board determined that a 50/50 sharing of the impact of currently known legislated changes, as applied to the tax level reflected in the Board-approved base rates for a distributor, is appropriate for the 3rd Generation IRM applications. This was based on a decision of the Board in a

proceeding in relation to natural gas distributors' (EB-2007-0606/615) incentive regulation applications in which tax as a Z-factor was being considered. In this decision, the Board found that a 50/50 sharing is appropriate because it recognizes that tax changes already flow to some extent through the inflation factor, though the precise timing and quantum of the tax reduction during a current IRM period is not known.

The calculated annual tax reduction over the plan term will be allocated to customer rate classes on the basis of the Board-approved base-year distribution revenue. These amounts will be refunded to customers each year of the plan term, over a 12-month period, through a volumetric rate rider derived using annualized consumption by customer class underlying the Board-approved base 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 50% of the total change from those taxes included in the most recent cost of service base distribution rates.

The Board finds that a 50/50 sharing 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 a rate rider over a one-year period.

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.

Halton Hills requested to change its current smart meter funding adder ("SMFA") from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per metered customer per month.

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 (G-2008-0002). 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 Halton Hills' SMFA of \$1.50 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. Halton Hills' variance accounts for smart meter program implementation costs, previously authorized by the Board, shall be continued.

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 on a final basis, if applicable.

Revenue-to-Cost Ratios

Revenue-to-cost 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.

The Board's Decision (EB-2007-0696) for Halton Hills' 2008 cost of service rate application prescribed a phase-in period to adjust its revenue-to-cost ratios.

Halton Hills proposed to adjust its revenue-to-cost ratios in the current application as shown in Column 2 of Table 1.

Proposed 2011 **2010 Ratio Target Range Rate Class** Ratio Column 2 Column 1 Column 3 Residential 90.9 90.9 85 - 115GS < 50 kW 80 - 12096.0 96.0 GS 50 - 999 kW 150.5 147.4 80 - 180GS 1,000 - 4,999 119.7 116.6 80 - 180kW - Interval Metered 70.0 70 - 120Street Lighting 57.8 70.0 70 - 120Sentinel Lighting 63.3 USL 93.5 93.5 80 - 120

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

VECC and Board staff submitted that the revised proposed revenue-to-cost ratios are in accordance with the Board's findings in its EB-2007-0696 Decision.

The Board agrees that the revised proposed revenue-to-cost ratios are in accordance with the Board's findings referenced above. The Board therefore approves the proposed revenue-to-cost ratios.

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:

Table 2 - Uniform Transmission Rates	kW Mont	hly Rates	Change
	Jan 1, 2010	Jan 1, 2011	
Network Service Rate	\$2.97	\$3.22	+8.4%
Connection Service Rates			
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 RTSRs calculated in the filing module.

The Board notes that when completing the filing module, Halton Hills originally entered billing determinants that were different from the 2009 Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements ("RRR") data. Although the difference in the data entered into the module and the 2009 RRR may have not been material, the Board emphasizes the importance of the accuracy of RRR data. Distributors need to formally notify the Board once a discrepancy is discovered and provide sufficient information about the nature of the discrepancy such that the Board can determinate whether re-filing of the RRR data is warranted. Compliance with the Board's RRR is an important part of a distributor's legal obligations. RRR information is used as a resource by the OEB, industry stakeholders, and by the public. For example, benchmarking standards are established

and the creation of the OEB statistical yearbook is developed using RRR information. The Board expects RRR data to be reported on time and be accurate when reported. Revisions should only be required in exceptional circumstances.

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.

Halton Hills originally proposed to dispose of its December 31, 2009 Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account balances, including interest charges as of April 30, 2011. The total amount to be disposed of was a debit balance of \$1,452,488.

On November 24, 2010, Halton Hills requested approval from the Board to withdraw its request to dispose of its Group 1 account balances from this rate application on the basis that it had initiated a comprehensive review of applicable Uniform System of Accounts, which includes the Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account balances. The purpose of the review is to ensure that the account balances for the year 2009 conform to the Board's Accounting Procedure Handbook. Halton Hills indicated that the review is taking longer than expected. Halton Hills stated that it will request approval from the Board to dispose of the Group 1 account balances in its 2012 cost of service application.

In its submission, Board staff submitted the Board should grant Halton Hills' request to withdraw this element of its application since the review undertaken by Halton Hills is important to ensure the correctness of the Group 1 account balances. Board staff further submitted that Halton Hills' proposal to deal with this issue in its 2012 cost of service application was reasonable.

The Board will grant Halton Hills' request to withdraw its request to dispose of its Group 1 account balances from this rate application. The Board however directs Halton Hills to make an application for the review and disposition of its Group 1 account balances no later than its 2012 rate application.

Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs

In this application, Halton Hills requested the recovery of a one time expense of \$62,840 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 Distributors¹, including Halton Hills, 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 Halton Hills 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.

On March 4, 2011, Halton Hills sent a letter to the Board that indicating that it will not seek recovery of the LPP costs. As a result, no rate rider associated with LPP is included in the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

Rate Model

With this Decision, the Board is providing Halton Hills with a rate model (spreadsheet) and applicable supporting models 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

¹ As defined in the Board's Decision and Order EB-2010-0295

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. Halton Hills' new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2011.
- 2. 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.
- 3. If the Board does not receive a submission from Halton Hills 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. Halton Hills 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 Halton Hills 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 Halton Hills and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.
- 5. Halton Hills 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. Halton Hills 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 Halton Hills' 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-2010-0087**, be made through the Board's web portal at, 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. 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

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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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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RESIDENTIAL Time-of-USE

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	12.94
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.50
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0121
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0012
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0009
Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0055
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0043

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kVVh	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

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

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Wholesale Market Service Rate

Rural Rate Protection Charge

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	28.28
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.50
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0089
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0011
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0009
Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0049
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0040
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GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	76.18
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.50
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.3939
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4340
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.3573
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.2197
Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	(0.0424)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1335
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7233
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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 1,000 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a non-residential customer 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. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	173.31
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until April 30, 2012	\$	1.50
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.6055
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4677
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.3753
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.3005
Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	(0.0415)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval metered	\$/kW	2.1335
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.7233
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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kWh	12.69 0.0084
Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh	0.0011
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012 Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0013 0.0007
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh \$/kWh	(0.0003) 0.0049 0.0040
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component	·	
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0052 0.0013

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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)	\$	2.67
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	10.1069
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3351
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2010) – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	0.4161
Rate Rider for Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2012	\$/kW	(0.1947)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5220
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2407

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

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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

Service Charge	Φ.	5.25
Service Charge	D	ວ.∠ວ

ALLOWANCES

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.50)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

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SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Arrears certificate \$	15.00
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Statement of account \$	15.00
Pulling post dated cheques \$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing \$	15.00
Request for other billing information \$	15.00
Easement letter \$	15.00
Income tax letter \$	15.00
Notification charge \$	15.00
Account history \$	15.00
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 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)	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges) \$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque \$	15.00
Legal letter charge \$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) \$	30.00
Special meter reads \$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct) \$	30.00
Non-Payment of Account	
Late Payment - per month %	1.50
Late Payment - per annum %	19.56
	30.00
Collection of account charge – no disconnection – after regular hours \$	165.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours \$	65.00
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 – after regular hours Significant pole – after regular hours Significant pole – after regular hours Significant pole – 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
Service call – customer owned equipment \$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours \$	165.00
Interval Meter Charge \$	20.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer \$	500.00
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) \$ \$	300.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – with transformer \$	1000.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles (\$/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 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	1.0499
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0395
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A