

EB-2010-0137

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 Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2011.

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel

Presiding Member

RATE ORDER

Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. ("Milton Hydro" or the "Applicant") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 27, 2010, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O 1998, c. 15 (Schedule B) (the "Act"), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Milton Hydro charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2011.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on February 11, 2011. In the Decision, the Board ordered the Applicant to file a draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings within 7 days of the date of the issuance of the Board's Cost of Capital Parameter Updates for 2011 Cost of Service Applications for Rates Effective May 1, 2011 or of the issuance of a Decision in the Late Payment Penalty ("LPP") Generic Hearing (EB-2010-0295), whichever is later. The Board approved both an effective date and an implementation date of May 1, 2011.

On February 22, 2011 the Board issued its Decision and Order in the LPP Generic Hearing (the "LPP Decision") and determined that it is appropriate for the Affected

Electricity Distributors¹ to be eligible to recover the costs and damages associated with the LPP class action in rates. The LPP Decision listed Milton Hydro as an Affected Electricity Distributor and approved Milton Hydro's share of the class action costs. The Board directed Affected Electricity Distributors such as Milton Hydro to file with the Board detailed calculations including supporting documentation, outlining the derivation of the rate riders based on the methodology outlined in the LPP Decision. 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. Milton Hydro elected to recover the amount approved in the LPP proceeding and accordingly filed the associated rate riders on February 25, 2011.

The Board has reviewed the LPP rate riders and notes that Milton Hydro has proposed to calculate the LPP rate rider for the Street Lighting customer class based on the 2011 connection data approved as part of the Settlement Agreement in Milton Hydro's 2011 cost of service application, as opposed to the 2009 RRR data as directed by the Board. Milton stated that in its 2011 application, the methodology used in assessing the number of connections changed resulting in a significant reduction to the number of connections.

The Board notes that the use of the much higher 2009 customer count would not yield a valid rate given the small amount allocated to the Street Lighting class. While the Board would not normally allow a deviation from the approved methodology, nor allow an isolated adjustment to one class, the Board will accept it in this case. The Board notes that the intent of the LPP Decision is to ensure recovery of the settled amounts and that Milton Hydro has proposed this adjustment in order to produce a valid rate for that class.

On March 3, 2011 the Board issued the Cost of Capital Parameter Updates for Cost of Service Applications for Rates Effective May 1, 2011. Milton Hydro filed a draft Rate Order and supporting material on March 10, 2011. No comments were received.

The Board has reviewed all of the information provided in support of the 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 in the cost of service proceeding EB-2010-0137.

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

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, 2011 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 Tariff of Rates and Charges approved by the Ontario Energy Board for the Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. service area, and is final in all respects.
- 3. Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, March 22, 2011

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary

Appendix A

TO RATE ORDER

MILTON HYDRO DISTRIBUTION INC.

EB-2010-0137

DATED: March 22, 2011

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2011

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0.25

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to detached, semi-detached and townhouse residential buildings as defined in local zoning bylaws. A residential service is a single-family unit used for domestic or household purposes, including seasonal occupancy. At Milton Hydro's discretion, residential rates may be applied to apartment buildings with 6 or less units by simple application of the residential rate by blocking the residential rate by the number of units. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

Where the residential dwelling comprises the entire electrical load of a farm, it is defined as a residential service. Where the residential dwelling does not comprise the entire electrical load of the farm:

- The service will be defined as a General Service if the occupant derives his/her principal livelihood from the working of the farm;
- The service will be defined as a Residential Service if the occupant does not derive his/her principal livelihood from the working of the farm; and
- Where the residential farm dwelling is supplied by one separately metered service and the electrical loads in
 other buildings are supplied by a different separately metered service, then the former is defined as a Residential
 Service and the latter is defined as a General Service.

APPLICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)

| Service Charge | \$ | 14.80 |
|---|--------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Smart Meter Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | (1.54) |
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 0.16 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0138 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0002 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kWh | (0.0007) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0055 ´ |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0046 |
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| MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component | | |
| Wholesale Market Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0052 |
| Rural Rate Protection Charge | \$/kWh | 0.0013 |
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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

| Service Charge | \$ | 15.79 |
|---|--------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Smart Meter Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | (1.54) |
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 0.39 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0168 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0002 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kWh | (8000.0) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0050 |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0041 |
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| 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 999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

| Service Charge Rate Rider for Smart Meter Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012 Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Minimum Distribution Charge – per KW of maximum billing demand in the previous 11 months Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$ \$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW | 74.17 (1.54) 2.83 2.4712 0.0792 0.5713 (0.3405) 2.2592 1.9140 |
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| MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component | | |

| Wholesale Market Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0052 |
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| 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 refers to a non-residential customer with an average peak demand equal to or greater than 1,000 kW and less than 5,000 kW, regardless of when the demand occurs, averaged over twelve months. For a new customer without prior billing history, the peak demand will be based on the customer's proposed capacity. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

| Retail Fransmission Rate – Line and Fransformation Connection Service Rate 5/KW 1.882/ | Service Charge Rate Rider for Smart Meter Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012 Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Minimum Distribution Charge – per KW of maximum billing demand in the previous 11 months Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$ \$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW | 937.24 (1,54) 37.00 2.9576 0.0779 0.5713 (0.4110) 2.2220 1.8827 |
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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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LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

| Service Charge | \$ | 3,971.85 |
|---|-------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Smart Meter Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | (1.54) |
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 116.15 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kW | 2.3779 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kW | 0.0871 |
| Minimum Distribution Charge – per KW of maximum billing demand in the previous 11 months | \$/kW | 0.5713 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kW | (0.3564) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered | \$/kW | 2.4061 |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered | \$/kW | 2.1056 |

| 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 refers to the supply of electricity to unmetered loads less than 50 kW including traffic signals and pedestrian X-walks signals/beacons, bus shelters, telephone booths, signs, Cable TV amplifiers and decorative lighting and tree lighting connected to Milton Hydro's distribution system, and similar small unmetered loads. 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) | \$ | 7.93 |
|---|--------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 0.11 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0168 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0002 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kWh | (0.0007) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0050 |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$/kWh | 0.0041 |

| 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 all services supported to supply sentinel lighting equipment. 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) | \$ | 1.38 |
|---|-------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 0.01 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kW | 10.4571 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kW | 0.0544 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kW | (0.2828) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate | \$/kW | 1.5379 |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$/kW | 1.3145 |

| 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 all services supplied to street lighting equipment owned by or operated for a municipality or the Province of Ontario. 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) | \$ | 1.06 |
|---|-------|----------|
| Rate Rider for Recovery of Late Payment Penalty Litigation Costs – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$ | 0.01 |
| Distribution Volumetric Rate | \$/kW | 4.6497 |
| Low Voltage Service Rate | \$/kW | 0.0532 |
| Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2012 | \$/kW | (0.3348) |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate | \$/kW | 1.5301 |
| Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate | \$/kW | 1.2875 |
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| Wholesale Market Service Rate | \$/kVVh | 0.0052 |
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| 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

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 |
| Statement of account | \$ | 15.00 |
| Easement letter | \$ | 15.00 |
| Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) | \$ | 15.00 |
| Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) | \$ | 30.00 |
| Returned Cheque (plus bank charges) | \$ | 15.00 |
| 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 Charges for non payment of account - At Meter During Regular Hours | \$ | 65.00 |
| Disconnect/Reconnect Charges for non payment of account - At Meter After Hours | \$ | 185.00 |
| Optional Interval/TOU Meter charge \$/month | \$ | 5.50 |
| Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles \$/pole/year | \$ | 22.35 |
| Clearance Pole Attachment charge \$/pole/year | \$ | 5.59 |

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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 |
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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.

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| 1.0149 |
| 1.0258 |
| 1.0048 |
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