

Decision on Entegrus Powerline's Application to Change its Electricity Distribution Rates

On March 19, 2026, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued its [Decision and Rate Order](#) approving a settlement proposal related to Entegrus Powerlines Inc.'s (Entegrus) application for electricity distribution rates effective May 1, 2026. The OEB approved the settlement proposal having found that it represents a reasonable outcome for both ratepayers and the utility.

The budget reductions, which amount to \$1.23M in total savings – including \$1.01M in operations, maintenance and administration – deliver cost savings for ratepayers through lower revenue requirements and reduced operating budgets. In reaching its decision, the OEB balanced consumers' interests with respect to prices and the adequacy, reliability, and quality of electricity service.

For a typical residential customer using 750 kWh per month, the estimated bill impact will be an increase of \$3.41 per month (2.23%) in the Entegrus Main rate zone and \$4.12 per month (2.70%) in the Entegrus St. Thomas rate zone, before taxes and the Ontario Electricity Rebate.

INTERVENORS

Intervenors are individuals or groups who have permission to participate in a hearing before the OEB because they have a substantial interest in the proceeding. The School Energy Coalition and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition were approved as intervenors in this proceeding.

ABOUT THE OEB

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