

**RESPONSES TO ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD STAFF
INTERROGATORIES ON SUITE METERING EVIDENCE**

INTERROGATORY 5:

Reference(s): L1/T5/S1/p. 4

It is stated when discussing meter costs that:

“For 2012, THESL estimates an installed per meter cost of \$550. The value is higher than the \$440 value used in the Updated BDR Study. THESL has estimated this number based on the number and types of meters in service in 2012. Factors driving the increased per meter cost estimate compared to the previous value include costs related to inspections, network meters, and larger 3-phase meters which are more costly.”

- a) Please provide a breakdown of the cost components for both the 2012 installed meter cost of \$550 and the \$440 value used in the Updated BDR Study.
- b) Please provide a breakdown and explanation of the \$110 increase between the factors cited above as leading to the increase.

RESPONSE:

a) The \$440 cost in the BDR study was based on:

Materials = [REDACTED]

Installation = [REDACTED]

The revised cost of \$550 is based on:

Materials = [REDACTED]

Installation = [REDACTED]

Inspection = \$50

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1 All costs estimated forecast (average).

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3 b) Incremental cost increases are as follows:

4 Material = \$30

5 Installation = \$30

6 Inspection = \$50

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8 The change between the two estimates reflects the results of a larger sample of the
9 buildings that have had suite meters installations by THESL. The original analysis
10 also failed to include the Measurement Canada SEO4 inspections, which are a
11 significant additional incremental cost.

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1 **INTERROGATORY 2:**

2 **Reference(s):** L1/T5/p. 4

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4 THESL has provided an estimated meter cost of \$550. Please provide a detailed break-
5 down of how that amount was arrived at.

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7 **RESPONSE:**

8 The estimated meter cost was determined by evaluating the cost of installation for the
9 portfolio of facilities THESL provides suite metering for. The breakdown is as follows:

| Item | Amount | Source |
|-------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Materials | █ | Current RFP - fixed cost |
| Installation | █ | Average cost |
| Inspection (SEO4) | \$50 | Average cost |
| Total | \$550 | |

10 This cost is based on installations to date and may vary from site to site.

Witness: