



**EB-2011-0154**

**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 Brant  
County Power Inc. for an order or orders approving or  
fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other  
charges, to be effective May 1, 2012.

**BEFORE:** Karen Taylor  
Presiding Member

Paula Conboy  
Member

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

### **Introduction**

Brant County Power Inc. (“Brant County Power”), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) on October 28, 2011 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 Brant County Power charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012.

By letter dated November 14, 2011, the Board determined that Brant County Power’s request for the disposition of Account 1562 - Deferred Payments in Lieu of Taxes (“PILs”) was not consistent with the various decisions made in the course of the Combined PILS proceeding<sup>1</sup>. Accordingly, the Board determined that it would not hear the application for the disposition of Account 1562 as part of this proceeding but would consider it on a stand-alone basis in a separate application. The Board noted its

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2008-0381 Account 1562 Deferred PILs Combined Proceeding

expectation that Brant County Power would address the disposition of Account 1562 in a stand-alone application to be filed no later than April 1, 2012.

Brant County Power is one of 77 electricity distributors in Ontario regulated by the Board. The *Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* (the "IR Report"), issued on July 14, 2008, establishes a three year plan term for 3<sup>rd</sup> generation incentive regulation mechanism ("IRM") (i.e., rebasing plus three years). In its October 27, 2010 letter regarding the development of a Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity ("RRFE"), the Board announced that it was extending the IRM plan until such time as the RRFE policy initiatives have been substantially completed. As part of the plan, Brant County Power is one of the electricity distributors that will have its rates adjusted for 2012 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 IR Report, its *Supplemental Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on September 17, 2008 (the "Supplemental Report"), and its *Addendum to the Supplemental Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on January 28, 2009 (collectively the "Reports"). Among other things, the Reports contain the relevant guidelines for 2012 rate adjustments for distributors applying for distribution rate adjustments pursuant to the IRM process. On June 22, 2011, 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 application filing requirements for IRM applications based on the policies in the Reports.

Notice of Brant County Power's rate application was given through newspaper publication in Brant County 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. No letters of comment were received. The Notice of Application indicated that intervenors would be eligible for cost awards with respect to Brant County Power's proposal for lost revenue adjustment mechanism ("LRAM") recovery. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") was granted intervenor status in this proceeding. The Board granted VECC eligibility for cost awards in regards to Brant County Power's request for LRAM 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;
- Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge;
- Shared Tax Savings Adjustments;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances;
- Review and Disposition of Account 1521: Special Purpose Charge;
- Review and Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism; and
- Smart Meter Funding Adder.

### **Price Cap Index Adjustment**

As outlined in the Reports, distribution rates under the 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation IRM are to be adjusted by a price escalator, less a productivity factor (X-factor) of 0.72% and a stretch factor.

On March 13, 2012, the Board announced a price escalator of 2.0% for those distributors under IRM that have a rate year commencing May 1, 2012.

The stretch factors are assigned to distributors based on the results of two benchmarking evaluations to divide the Ontario industry into three efficiency cohorts. . . In its letter to Licensed Electricity Distributors dated December 1, 2011 the Board assigned Brant County Power to efficiency cohort 3 and a cohort specific stretch factor of 0.6%.

On that basis, the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.68%. The price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across customer classes that are not eligible for Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection.

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 or Remote Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Loss Factors;
- Specific Service Charges;
- MicroFIT Service Charges; and
- Retail Service Charges.

### **Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge**

On December 21, 2011, the Board issued a Decision with Reasons and Rate Order (EB-2011-0405) establishing the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (“RRRP”) benefit and charge for 2012. The Board amended the RRRP charge to be collected by the Independent Electricity System Operator from the current \$0.0013 per kWh to \$0.0011 per kWh effective May 1, 2012. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order will reflect the new RRRP charge.

### **Shared Tax Savings Adjustments**

In its Supplemental Report, the Board determined that a 50/50 sharing of the impact of currently known legislated tax changes, as applied to the tax level reflected in the Board-approved base rates for a distributor, is appropriate.

The calculated annual tax reduction over the IRM 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 using annualized consumption by customer class underlying the Board-approved base rates.

Brant County Power’s application identified a total tax savings of \$14,731 resulting in a shared amount of \$7,365 to be refunded to ratepayers.

The Board approves the disposition of the shared tax savings of \$7,365. The Board authorizes this amount to be recorded in Account 1595 for disposition in a future

application given that the energy based kWh rate riders amount to \$(0.0000) when rounded to the fourth decimal place for one or more customer rate classes. The Board directs Brant County Power to record the tax sharing refund of \$7,365 in variance Account 1595 by June 30, 2012 for disposition at a future date.

### **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 June 22, 2011 the Board issued revision 3.0 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 2012. 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 distributors’ specific RTSRs, Board staff provided a filing module.

On December 20, 2011 the Board issued its Rate Order for Hydro One Transmission (EB-2011-0268) which adjusted the UTRs effective January 1, 2012, as shown in the following table:

#### **2012 Uniform Transmission Rates**

Network Service Rate	\$3.57 per kW
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.80 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.86 per kW

The Board finds that these 2012 UTRs are to be incorporated into the filing module.

**Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances**

The *Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative* (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.

Since Brant County Power disposed of its Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account balances as of December 31, 2010 in its 2011 cost of service application, no disposition is required in this application.

**Review and Disposition of Account 1521: Special Purpose Charge**

The Board authorized Account 1521, Special Purpose Charge Assessment ("SPC") Variance Account in accordance with Section 8 of *Ontario Regulation 66/10 (Assessments for Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure Conservation and Renewable Energy Program Costs)* (the "SPC Regulation"). Accordingly, any difference between (a) the amount remitted to the Minister of Finance for the distributor's SPC assessment and (b) the amounts recovered from customers on account of the assessment were to be recorded in "Sub-account 2010 SPC Assessment Variance" of Account 1521.

In accordance with Section 8 of the SPC Regulation, distributors are required to apply by no later than April 15, 2012 for an order authorizing the disposition of any residual balance in sub-account 2010 SPC Assessment Variance. The Filing Requirements state the Board's expectation that requests for disposition of this account balance would be heard as part of the proceedings to set rates for the 2012 year.

In the Manager's Summary of its application, Brant County Power indicated that it was still collecting the SPC and that the recovery would be completed after November 2011 consumption invoices.

In response to Board staff interrogatory #9c, Brant County Power provided a table identifying the principal balance of Account 1521 as of December 31, 2010, the amounts recovered from customers in 2011, and carrying charges as of December 31, 2011. This results in a total debit balance of \$6,194.

Board staff submitted that despite the usual practice, the Board should authorize the disposition of Account 1521 as of December 31, 2010, including carrying charges, plus the amount recovered from customers in 2011, including carrying charges, because the account balance does not require a prudence review and electricity distributors are required by regulation to apply for disposition of this account. Board staff also requested that Brant County Power in its reply submission include carrying charges to April 30, 2012.

In its reply submission, Brant County Power indicated that the balance in Account 1521 as of December 31, 2010, plus the amount recovered from customers in 2011, including projected carrying charges to April 30, 2012 is debit balance of \$6,218.

The Board approves, on a final basis, the disposition of Account 1521 as of December 31, 2010 including carrying charges plus the amounts recovered in 2011, plus projected carrying charges to April 30, 2012, for a total of \$6,218. The Board approves a disposition period of one year. The Board directs that Account 1521 be closed effective May 1, 2012.

For accounting and reporting purposes, the balance of Account 1521 shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595 pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*. The date of the journal entry to transfer the approved account balances to the sub-accounts of Account 1595 is the date on which disposition of the balances is effective in rates, which generally is the start of the rate year (e.g. May 1). This entry should be completed on a timely basis to ensure that these adjustments are included in the June 30, 2012 (3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter) RRR data reported.

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

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

Brant County Power originally requested the recovery of an LRAM claim of \$21,561 over a one-year period. Brant County Power's LRAM claim includes the persisting effects of 2010 CDM programs until April 30, 2012.

In response to Board staff interrogatory #12a, Brant County Power noted that in its original LRAM claim, it had omitted to include the LRAM associated with lost revenues from 2010 OPA programs in 2010. Brant County Power subsequently updated its LRAM claim to \$34,568, which includes carrying charges.

Board staff submitted that it supports the recovery of 2010 lost revenues that took place in 2010 since Brant County Power was under IRM during that period and Brant County did not previously recover these amounts. However, Board staff did not support the recovery of the requested persisting lost revenues from 2010 CDM programs in 2011 or 2012 as these amounts should have been incorporated into Brant County Power's 2011 approved load forecast. Board staff requested that Brant County Power, in its reply submission, provide an updated LRAM amount that only includes lost revenues from 2010 CDM programs in 2010, including carrying charges, and the associated rate riders.

VECC submitted that Brant County Power had appropriately demonstrated through interrogatory responses that savings for the OPA's 2006 Every Kilowatt Counts Program regarding 13-15 W Energy Star CFLs were not included in the LRAM claim beginning in 2010. VECC also submitted that energy savings from Brant County Power's CDM programs implemented in 2010 are not accruable in 2011 through April 30, 2012 as savings should have been incorporated in the 2011 load forecast at the time of rebasing. VECC supported the approval of lost revenue in 2010 requested by Brant County Power for CDM programs implemented in 2010 as these energy savings occurred prior to rebasing and have not yet been claimed.

In its reply submission, Brant County Power provided the updated information requested by Board staff. Brant County Power indicated that the lost revenue associated with 2010 CDM programs in 2010 is \$15,060. Brant County Power also noted that it was under IRM for the first four months of 2011 and that the LRAM amount inclusive of this period would be \$19,971. Brant County Power further submitted that the LRAM claim for \$34,658 should be approved.

The Board will approve LRAM recovery of \$15,060, representing lost revenue arising from 2010 CDM programs in 2010, as Brant County was under IRM during this period and has not otherwise been compensated for LRAM for this period. The Board approves a one-year disposition period, from May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2013. The Board



notes that this is consistent with the CDM Guidelines. The Board will not approve an LRAM claim for the period January 1, 2011 to April 30, 2011, as it is inconsistent with the Board's practice and was not tested in this proceeding. The Board will not approve an LRAM claim for persistence for 2010 programs from January 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012, as these effects should have been reflected in the 2011 Board-approved load forecasts and is therefore inconsistent with the CDM Guidelines. The Board also notes that as per the Hydro Ottawa decision (EB-2011-0054), the current CDM Guidelines do not consider a true-up of the effects of CDM activities embedded in the load forecast in the rebasing year. Brant County Power has provided evidence that CDM effects are reflected in the last Board-approved load forecast. As such, there is no reasonable basis for the Board to vary from the existing CDM Guidelines.

### **Smart Meter Funding Adder ("SMFA")**

On October 22, 2008 the Board issued the *Guideline for Smart Meter Funding and Cost Recovery* (the "Smart Meter Guidelines") 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.

Brant County Power requested the continuation of its current approved SMFA of \$1.00 per month per metered customer until April 30, 2013, since it has not yet finalized the deployment of smart meters. The current SMFA of \$1.00 per month per metered customer was settled in Brant County Power's 2011 cost of service application (EB-2010-0125). No sunset dates were included in the current Tariff of Rates and Charges.

In response to Board staff interrogatory #10a, Brant County Power noted that over 99% of its smart meter deployment was completed by the end of 2011 and noted its expectation that the remaining few commercial smart meters would be installed in the first quarter of 2012. Brant County Power also noted that it had implemented time-of-use billing as of September 1, 2011. In response to Board staff interrogatory #10b, Brant County Power indicated that it expects to have the majority of smart meter costs audited by April 2012 and expects to seek disposition of its smart meter costs in its next cost of service application scheduled for 2014.

Board staff submitted that Brant County Power's intention to apply for the final recovery of smart meter costs in a future rate filing is inconsistent with the Board's expectations documented in Brant County Power's 2011 cost of service decision (EB-2010-0125),

which stated that the Board expects Brant County Power to file in 2012 an application with the Board seeking final approval for smart meter related costs.

Board staff did not support Brant County Power's proposal to continue its current SMFA to April 30, 2013. Board staff submitted that once Brant County Power's 2011 financial statements, including the smart meter accounts, are audited, Brant County Power should be in a position to file a stand-alone application seeking final disposition of its smart meter costs. Board staff submitted that establishing a sunset date for the SMFA of October 31, 2012 would be reasonable since this should allow sufficient time for Brant County Power to prepare and file an application in accordance with the Smart Meter Guidelines. Board staff did not oppose the \$1.00 per month per metered customer proposed by Brant County Power.

Brant County Power agreed with Board staff to continue the SMFA of \$1.00 per month per metered customer until October 31, 2012. Brant County Power also noted that it will file the requested stand-alone disposition application incorporating final smart meter costs by May 31, 2012.

In general, the Board is of the view that the relevant metric to consider with respect to whether it is appropriate to extend a SMFA is the date at which smart meter deployment was or will be substantially completed. In this case, smart meter deployment was 99% complete at the end of 2011. The SMFA was designed to fund the prospective deployment of smart meters with minimum functionality. In this case, the Board notes that the current SMFA of \$1.00 is not subject to an existing expiry date. The Board believes that a SMFA expiry date of October 31, 2012 best aligns the interests of ratepayers and the utility, by balancing potential rate volatility with the need to ensure that monies collected from ratepayers serve the intended purpose. The Board therefore approves the continuation of a SMFA of \$1.00 per metered customer per month until October 31, 2012, and notes that Brant County has undertaken to file a stand-alone application to dispose of its final Smart Meter costs by no later than May 31, 2012.

### **Rate Model**

With this Decision, the Board is providing Brant County Power 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 rate model to ensure that they were in accordance with the 2011 Board

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

### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT

1. Brant County Power's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2012.
2. Brant County Power shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. Brant County 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 **7 days** of the date of issuance of this Decision and Order.
3. If the Board does not receive a submission from Brant County 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 Decision and Order will become final effective May 1, 2012, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2012. Brant County 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 Brant County 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 Brant County Power and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.

### Cost Awards

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

1. VECC shall submit their cost claims no later than **7 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
2. Brant County Power shall file with the Board and forward to VECC any objections to the claimed costs within **21 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.

VECC shall file with the Board and forward to Brant County Power any responses to any objections for cost claims within **28 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.

3. Brant County Power shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

All filings to the Board must quote file number **EB-2011-0154**, 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 22, 2012

**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-2011-0154**

**DATED: March 22, 2012**

# Brant County Power Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2012

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

EB-2011-0154

## 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. All customers are single-phase. 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, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	11.07
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until October 31, 2012	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0208
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0026

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

# Brant County Power Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2012

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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.

### APPLICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	17.12
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until October 31, 2012	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0178
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0023

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

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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. 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 1,000 kW non-interval metered

General Service 50 to 1,000 kW interval metered

General Service >1,000 to 5,000 kW interval 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.

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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.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	95.65
Smart Meter Funding Adder – effective until October 31, 2012	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.8760
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1222
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	0.0056
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5435
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.9295
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered <1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.6373
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered <1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.0272
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.6392
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.0189

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25



**Brant County Power Inc.**  
**TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**  
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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.

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, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	2.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0229
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0023

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to safety/security lighting with a Residential, General Service or Large Use customer. This is typically exterior lighting, and unmetered. Consumption is estimated based on the equipment rating and estimated hours of use. 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)	\$	2.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	30.0867
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.7192
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1699
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.7336

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
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)	\$	1.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	44.2793
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.8406
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1641
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.7185

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
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)

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## SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Customer Administration		
Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
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
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (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
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Collection of account charge – no disconnection – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge at Meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charges at Meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge at Pole – during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charges at Pole – after regular hours	\$	415.00
Service call – customer-owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary service install and remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service install and remove – underground – no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service install and remove – overhead – with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Rural system expansion / line connection fee	\$	500.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per 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 monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly 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	1.0495
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0173
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0390
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0072