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Hearing Panel of the Board

Re: Re: Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc (TBHEDI) - 2014 Electricity Distribution Rate Application- Board File Number EB-2013-0172

TBHEDI had posted in the Chronicle Journal the OEB notice that informs the public that TBHEDI has applied to lower its electricity distribution rates, beginning May 01,2014.

Reviewing the application and evidence, this not does not appear to be the case.

It appears that TBHEDI is really seeking an increase in the 1) monthly service charge and 2) Distribution Volumetric Rate in what is referred to as an inflationary rate increase in the notice. On a residential service consuming 800 kWh/month this would increase the cost by \$0.14 /month. This is an issue in light of the last year's increase.

A charge that amounted to \$0.70 / month to pay for stranded meter assets will expire on April 30,2014 as planned.

I asked the manager of TBHEDI :

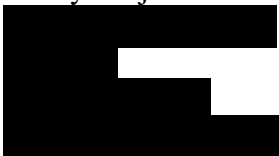
"Did you have to apply to the OEB to remove the rate rider for recovery of stranded meter assets that would have terminated on April 30,2014?"

I am still waiting for the reply.

The notice as presented, gives the public the illusion that TBHEDI is applying to lower its rates when in fact TBHEDI is applying to increase its rates.

Sincerely

Henry Wojak



ps. "If you would like a response from the applicant, please send a copy of your letter directly to the applicant, including your contact information."