



EB-2014-0097

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 Niagara-on-the-
Lake Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable
rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be
effective May 1, 2015.

BEFORE: Marika Hare
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

FINAL RATE ORDER

April 16, 2014

Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc. (NOTL Hydro) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the Board) on September 24, 2014 under section 78 of the Act, seeking approval for changes to the rates that NOTL Hydro charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2015.

In its Decision and Rate Order issued on March 19, 2015, the Board ordered NOTL Hydro to review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges and to provide written confirmation of its completeness and accuracy, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information, within 7 days of the issuance of the Decision and Rate Order.

NOTL Hydro filed a reply on March 23, 2015. In its reply, NOTL Hydro stated that the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges was complete and accurate, with the exception of the Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Connection Service Rate charges for both interval and non-interval metered customers in the GS 50 to 4,999 kW class and customers in the Street Lighting class. NOTL Hydro submitted that the charges for those classes provided on the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges did not match quantities calculated in sheet 22 of the rate model.

The Board has reviewed the submissions provided by NOTL Hydro and accepts the proposed changes. The Board is satisfied that the 2015 Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Rate Order accurately reflects the Board's Decision and Rate Order.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order is final, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2015. NOTL Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, April 16, 2015

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Appendix A
To Final Rate Order
Final Tariff of Rates and Charges
Board File No: EB-2014-0097
DATED: April 16, 2015

Niagara-on-the-Lake Hydro Inc.

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately 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. 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	\$	18.17
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0128
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the new cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016 Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0065)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0076
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	37.76
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0113
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the new cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0012
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0065)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0069
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	269.88
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.1298
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kW	(0.3801)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the new cost of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.3483
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.0619
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016 Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	(2.6463)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.8188
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4921
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.0466
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.1836

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per customer)	\$	20.31
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the new cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0005
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	0.0011
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0069
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
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 operation, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established by an approved OEB process. 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)	\$	7.52
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	29.4112
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kW	(0.3511)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.0573
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016 Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	(2.4157)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1255
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3805

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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microFIT 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	\$	5.40
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ALLOWANCES

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.56)
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
Pulling Post Dated Cheques	\$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Credit Check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque Charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	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 Charge – per month	%	1.50
Late Payment Charge – per annum	%	19.56
Collection of Account Charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole after regular hours	\$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$	185.00

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Other Charges

Service Call – Customer-owned Equipment – During Regular Hours	\$	30.00
Service Call – Customer-owned Equipment – 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
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - per pole/year	\$	22.35
Specific Charge for Bell Canada Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	18.36

NOTE: Specific Charge for Bell Canada Access to the Power Poles is valid only until the existing joint-use agreement is terminated

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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	1.0379
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0275