



EB-2009-0059

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application pursuant to
section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* by
Horizon Utilities Corporation to amend its Electricity
Distribution Licence ED-2006-0031.

By delegation, before: Jennifer Lea

DECISION AND ORDER

THE APPLICATION

Horizon Utilities Corporation ("Horizon") filed an application on February 17, 2009, with the Ontario Energy Board under section 74 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for an order of the Board to amend Horizon's licensed service area in Schedule 1 of its electricity distribution licence ED-2006-0031. The Board assigned the application file number EB-2009-0059.

This service area amendment is required in order for Horizon to supply electricity and provide electricity distribution services to a proposed commercial development known in part as the SmartCentres Commercial Development in the City of Hamilton, which is currently located within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s ("Hydro One") licensed service area.

The lands are located in the former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Two (2), Blocks Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Nine (9), Ten (10) and Eleven (11) except for the following address (which is excluded):

- 2120 Rymal Road East in the City of Hamilton.

FINDINGS

Based on the evidence, I find that it is in the public interest to amend Schedule 1 of Horizon's electricity distribution licence to include the lands described above. The following facts are relevant to this decision.

The evidence filed with the application demonstrates that it is more economically efficient for Horizon to serve the proposed development. The proposed service area amendment will enhance the utilization of Horizon's existing urban distribution system. The proposed development is contiguous to an existing commercial development known as the Brooks of Rymal/20 which is currently serviced by Horizon. Horizon submits that it has surplus capacity on its existing distribution facilities bordering the developments to supply the proposed load for SmartCentres Commercial development while Hydro One's distribution facilities in the proposed amendment area are not sufficient to supply the load for the proposed development without additional investment. Hydro One supports the proposed service area amendment and confirms that it would be more economically efficient for Horizon to service the proposed development.

A letter from the developer filed with the application indicates that the developer prefers Horizon as a service provider. There are no other existing customers in the proposed amendment area. No assets will be stranded as a result of the proposed amendment. In addition, no negative impact on rates, safety, reliability or service quality of Horizon or Hydro One has been identified as a result of the proposed amendment.

The applicant requested that the Board decide the application without a hearing. I have done so. All affected parties consented to the application as filed. The evidence filed with the Board demonstrated that the amendment will not produce any adverse effects on the existing customers of the distributors, nor on prospective customers who may locate in the proposed development.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Horizon Utilities Corporation's Electricity Distribution Licence (ED-2006-00031), specifically Schedule 1 of the licence, is amended to include the lands described as:

Lands located in the former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township

Lot Two (2), Blocks Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Nine (9), Ten (10) and Eleven (11) except for the following address (which is excluded):

- 2120 Rymal Road East in the City of Hamilton.

DATED at Toronto, March 13, 2009

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Jennifer Lea
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Electricity Distribution Licence

ED-2006-0031

Horizon Utilities Corporation

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1 Definitions

In this Licence:

“Accounting Procedures Handbook” means the handbook, approved by the Board which specifies the accounting records, accounting principles and accounting separation standards to be followed by the Licensee;

“Act” means the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule B;

“Affiliate Relationships Code for Electricity Distributors and Transmitters” means the code, approved by the Board which, among other things, establishes the standards and conditions for the interaction between electricity distributors or transmitters and their respective affiliated companies;

“distribution services” means services related to the distribution of electricity and the services the Board has required distributors to carry out, including the sales of electricity to consumers under section 29 of the Act, for which a charge or rate has been established in the Rate Order;

“Distribution System Code” means the code approved by the Board which, among other things, establishes the obligations of the distributor with respect to the services and terms of service to be offered to customers and retailers and provides minimum, technical operating standards of distribution systems;

“Electricity Act” means the *Electricity Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, Schedule A;

“Licensee” means Horizon Utilities Corporation

“Market Rules” means the rules made under section 32 of the Electricity Act;

“Performance Standards” means the performance targets for the distribution and connection activities of the Licensee as established by the Board in accordance with section 83 of the Act;

“Rate Order” means an Order or Orders of the Board establishing rates the Licensee is permitted to charge;

“regulation” means a regulation made under the Act or the Electricity Act;

“Retail Settlement Code” means the code approved by the Board which, among other things, establishes a distributor's obligations and responsibilities associated with financial settlement among retailers and consumers and provides for tracking and facilitating consumer transfers among competitive retailers;

“service area” with respect to a distributor, means the area in which the distributor is authorized by its licence to distribute electricity;

“Standard Supply Service Code” means the code approved by the Board which, among other things, establishes the minimum conditions that a distributor must meet in carrying out its obligations to sell electricity under section 29 of the Electricity Act;

“wholesaler” means a person that purchases electricity or ancillary services in the IESO administered markets or directly from a generator or, a person who sells electricity or ancillary services through the IESO-administered markets or directly to another person other than a consumer.

2 Interpretation

- 2.1 In this Licence, words and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Act or the Electricity Act. Words or phrases importing the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of the Licence. Any reference to a document or a provision of a document includes an amendment or supplement to, or a replacement of, that document or that provision of that document. In the computation of time under this Licence, where there is a reference to a number of days between two events, they shall be counted by excluding the day on which the first event happens and including the day on which the second event happens and where the time for doing an act expires on a holiday, the act may be done on the next day that is not a holiday.

3 Authorization

- 3.1 The Licensee is authorized, under Part V of the Act and subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Licence:
- a) to own and operate a distribution system in the service area described in Schedule 1 of this Licence;
 - b) to retail electricity for the purposes of fulfilling its obligation under section 29 of the Electricity Act in the manner specified in Schedule 2 of this Licence; and
 - c) to act as a wholesaler for the purposes of fulfilling its obligations under the Retail Settlement Code or under section 29 of the Electricity Act.

4 Obligation to Comply with Legislation, Regulations and Market Rules

- 4.1 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Act and the Electricity Act and regulations under these Acts, except where the Licensee has been exempted from such compliance by regulation.
- 4.2 The Licensee shall comply with all applicable Market Rules.

5 Obligation to Comply with Codes

- 5.1 The Licensee shall at all times comply with the following Codes (collectively the “Codes”) approved by the Board, except where the Licensee has been specifically exempted from such compliance by the Board. Any exemptions granted to the licensee are set out in Schedule 3 of this Licence. The following Codes apply to this Licence:
- a) the Affiliate Relationships Code for Electricity Distributors and Transmitters;

- b) the Distribution System Code;
- c) the Retail Settlement Code; and
- d) the Standard Supply Service Code.

5.2 The Licensee shall:

- a) make a copy of the Codes available for inspection by members of the public at its head office and regional offices during normal business hours; and
- b) provide a copy of the Codes to any person who requests it. The Licensee may impose a fair and reasonable charge for the cost of providing copies.

6 Obligation to Provide Non-discriminatory Access

- 6.1 The Licensee shall, upon the request of a consumer, generator or retailer, provide such consumer, generator or retailer with access to the Licensee's distribution system and shall convey electricity on behalf of such consumer, generator or retailer in accordance with the terms of this Licence.

7 Obligation to Connect

- 7.1 The Licensee shall connect a building to its distribution system if:

- a) the building lies along any of the lines of the distributor's distribution system; and
- b) the owner, occupant or other person in charge of the building requests the connection in writing.

- 7.2 The Licensee shall make an offer to connect a building to its distribution system if:

- a) the building is within the Licensee's service area as described in Schedule 1; and
- b) the owner, occupant or other person in charge of the building requests the connection in writing.

- 7.3 The terms of such connection or offer to connect shall be fair and reasonable and made in accordance with the Distribution System Code, and the Licensee's Rate Order as approved by the Board.

- 7.4 The Licensee shall not refuse to connect or refuse to make an offer to connect unless it is permitted to do so by the Act or a regulation or any Codes to which the Licensee is obligated to comply with as a condition of this Licence.

8 Obligation to Sell Electricity

- 8.1 The Licensee shall fulfill its obligation under section 29 of the Electricity Act to sell electricity in accordance with the requirements established in the Standard Supply Service Code, the Retail Settlement Code and the Licensee's Rate Order as approved by the Board.

9 Obligation to Maintain System Integrity

- 9.1 The Licensee shall maintain its distribution system in accordance with the standards established in the Distribution System Code and Market Rules, and have regard to any other recognized industry operating or planning standards adopted by the Board.

10 Market Power Mitigation Rebates

- 10.1 The Licensee shall comply with the pass through of Ontario Power Generation rebate conditions set out in Appendix A of this Licence.

11 Distribution Rates

- 11.1 The Licensee shall not charge for connection to the distribution system, the distribution of electricity or the retailing of electricity to meet its obligation under section 29 of the Electricity Act except in accordance with a Rate Order of the Board.

12 Separation of Business Activities

- 12.1 The Licensee shall keep financial records associated with distributing electricity separate from its financial records associated with transmitting electricity or other activities in accordance with the Accounting Procedures Handbook and as otherwise required by the Board.

13 Expansion of Distribution System

- 13.1 The Licensee shall not construct, expand or reinforce an electricity distribution system or make an interconnection except in accordance with the Act and Regulations, the Distribution System Code and applicable provisions of the Market Rules.
- 13.2 In order to ensure and maintain system integrity or reliable and adequate capacity and supply of electricity, the Board may order the Licensee to expand or reinforce its distribution system in accordance with Market Rules and the Distribution System Code, or in such a manner as the Board may determine.

14 Provision of Information to the Board

- 14.1 The Licensee shall maintain records of and provide, in the manner and form determined by the Board, such information as the Board may require from time to time.
- 14.2 Without limiting the generality of paragraph 14.1, the Licensee shall notify the Board of any material change in circumstances that adversely affects or is likely to adversely affect the business, operations or assets of the Licensee as soon as practicable, but in any event no more than twenty (20) days past the date upon which such change occurs.

15 Restrictions on Provision of Information

- 15.1 The Licensee shall not use information regarding a consumer, retailer, wholesaler or generator obtained for one purpose for any other purpose without the written consent of the consumer, retailer, wholesaler or generator.

- 15.2 The Licensee shall not disclose information regarding a consumer, retailer, wholesaler or generator to any other party without the written consent of the consumer, retailer, wholesaler or generator, except where such information is required to be disclosed:
- a) to comply with any legislative or regulatory requirements, including the conditions of this Licence;
 - b) for billing, settlement or market operations purposes;
 - c) for law enforcement purposes; or
 - d) to a debt collection agency for the processing of past due accounts of the consumer, retailer, wholesaler or generator.
- 15.3 The Licensee may disclose information regarding consumers, retailers, wholesalers or generators where the information has been sufficiently aggregated such that their particular information cannot reasonably be identified.
- 15.4 The Licensee shall inform consumers, retailers, wholesalers and generators of the conditions under which their information may be released to a third party without their consent.
- 15.5 If the Licensee discloses information under this section, the Licensee shall ensure that the information provided will not be used for any other purpose except the purpose for which it was disclosed.

16 Customer Complaint and Dispute Resolution

- 16.1 The Licensee shall:
- a) have a process for resolving disputes with customers that deals with disputes in a fair, reasonable and timely manner;
 - b) publish information which will make its customers aware of and help them to use its dispute resolution process;
 - c) make a copy of the dispute resolution process available for inspection by members of the public at each of the Licensee's premises during normal business hours;
 - d) give or send free of charge a copy of the process to any person who reasonably requests it; and
 - e) subscribe to and refer unresolved complaints to an independent third party complaints resolution service provider selected by the Board. This condition will become effective on a date to be determined by the Board. The Board will provide reasonable notice to the Licensee of the date this condition becomes effective.

17 Term of Licence

- 17.1 This Licence shall take effect on April 6, 2006 and expire on April 5, 2026. The term of this Licence may be extended by the Board.

18 Fees and Assessments

18.1 The Licensee shall pay all fees charged and amounts assessed by the Board.

19 Communication

19.1 The Licensee shall designate a person that will act as a primary contact with the Board on matters related to this Licence. The Licensee shall notify the Board promptly should the contact details change.

19.2 All official communication relating to this Licence shall be in writing.

19.3 All written communication is to be regarded as having been given by the sender and received by the addressee:

- a) when delivered in person to the addressee by hand, by registered mail or by courier;
- b) ten (10) business days after the date of posting if the communication is sent by regular mail; and
- c) when received by facsimile transmission by the addressee, according to the sender's transmission report.

20 Copies of the Licence

20.1 The Licensee shall:

- a) make a copy of this Licence available for inspection by members of the public at its head office and regional offices during normal business hours; and
- b) provide a copy of this Licence to any person who requests it. The Licensee may impose a fair and reasonable charge for the cost of providing copies.

SCHEDULE 1 DEFINITION OF DISTRIBUTION SERVICE AREA

This Schedule specifies the area in which the Licensee is authorized to distribute and sell electricity in accordance with paragraph 8.1 of this Licence.

1. The former Police Village of Ancaster in the former Town of Ancaster as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as:
 - NW corner of Concession 1, Lot 42 and Old Railway Line
 - Directly NNE to middle of Concession I, Lot 46
 - North to Dundas boundary, along boundary NE to Hamilton boundary, along Dundas/Hamilton boundary
 - SW across Filman Road to include 1245 Filman, travel SW parallel with Hwy 2 to the escarpment
 - S along escarpment (include Ancaster heights survey)
 - S to W border of Concession II, Lot 49 to Railway Right of Way (behind Mohawk Road)
 - SW to Cayuga Drive, W to Railway Right of Way
 - West along Right of Way to far west boundary of Concession III, Lot 47
 - South between Lot 46 and 47 to include 38 Chancery Drive West
 - West, parallel with Golf Links Road to back lot of 23 Cameron Drive in Concession III, Lot 44
 - Follow back of Cameron Drive back lot to 35 Cameron, go south parallel to end of 209 Rosemary Drive, East to the back of 206 Rosemary Drive
 - North along back lots to 104 Rosemary, East to back lot of 103 Rosemary
 - North along back lots of St. Margarets Road to Hwy 2
 - Direct line SW, crossing over Fiddlers Green to middle of Concession III, Lot 41 North back lot of Rembrandt Court to Jerseyville Road W
 - SW along Jersey ville through back lots of Blair, Terrence Park and Oakhill to back lot lien of 211/220 Colleen Crescent
 - SW along Jersey ville through back lots of Blair, Terrence Park and Oakhill to back lot lien of 211/220 Colleen Crescent
 - NE to division of back lot along border of Concession III, Lots 41 & 42

- SW along border to lot line of 145 Terrence Park, across Terrence Park to include back lots of 51 and 55
 - SE over Terrence Park between houses 94 and 90
 - N along the rear lots of Terrence Park and McGregor Crescent
 - NE between houses 69 & 65 McGregor, across McGregor between houses 74 and 62
 - Continue rear lots East between houses 54 and 50 McGregor
 - North in direct line to Sulphur Springs Road
 - West 100 metres, directly NW to Concession II, Lot 42 to Old Railway Line
2. The former Town of Dundas as of December 31, 1980, now in the City of Hamilton.
 3. The former Police Village of Lynden in the former Town of Ancaster as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton.
 4. The former Village of Waterdown in the former Township of Flamborough as of December 31, 1980, now in the City of Hamilton.
 5. The expansion area as set out in By-law No. 96-17-H in the former Township of Flamborough as of December 31, 1980, now in the City of Hamilton and defined as :
 - East Boundary: Concession 3 East – Centreline of Kerns Road extending north along east boundary of 60' Interprovincial Pipeline easement continuing north along boundary line between Town of Flamborough and City of Burlington.
 - North Boundary: Concession 5 East – Centreline of the 50' wide Sun Canadian Pipeline Company easement – extending across Hwy. No. 6, along boundary line between properties 25.50.200.430.56400 and 25.30.200.430.56800/25.30.200.430.56600.
 - West Boundary: Boundary line between Lots 19 and 20 on Concession 1, Concession 2, Concession 3, and Concession 4 proceeding northerly to north boundary as described above.
 - South Boundary: Flamborough/Burlington/Dundas boundaries where the electrical distribution systems of Ontario Hydro and Burlington Hydro are already separated.
 - Includes to the East: The boundaries of the Town of Lynden as defined in 1. above.
 6. The City of Hamilton as of December 31, 2000.
 7. The former City of Stoney Creek as of December 31, 2000, now in the City of Hamilton.
 8. Plan 62 R-15706, Part of Lot 3, Block 1, Concession 1, former Geographic Township of Binbrook, in the former Township of Glanbrook, now in the City of Hamilton, comprising Part 1 to Part 11 inclusive.

9. Land located "in the former Township of Binbrook, in the former Township of Glanbrook, as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Block 1, Block 2 and Street 'A' part of a plan of "The Brooks of Rymal/20 Phase 1", being a subdivision of Part of Lots 1 and 2 - Block 4, Concession 1".
10. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lots Six (6) and Seven (7), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as Summit Park Phase 1 on Plan 62M. These lands are bounded to the north by Rymal Road east, to the east by Fletcher Road, to the west by Dakota Boulevard and to the south by a Hydro One Networks Inc. high voltage transmission line right of way.
11. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lots Six (6) and Seven (7), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as Summit Park Phase 2, on Plan 62M except for the following addresses (which are excluded):
 - 1898 Rymal Road East, RR # 1, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0
 - 1912 Rymal Road East, RR # 1, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0
 - 1900 Rymal Road East, RR # 1, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0
 - 1910 Rymal Road East, RR # 1, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0.
12. The City of St. Catharines as at December 31, 1990.
13. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Seven (7), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as Summit Park Phase 3, on Plan 62M except for the following addresses (which are excluded);
 - 70 Fletcher Road East, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0
 - 80 Fletcher Road East, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0.
14. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Seven (7), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as Summit Park Phase 4, on Plan 62M except for the following address (which is excluded):
 - 134 Fletcher Road East, Hannon, Ontario, L0R 1P0.
15. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Six (6), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as The Gardens at Summit Park on Plan 62M.

16. The former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Five (5), Block Four (4) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook and known as Summit Park Phase Six.
17. Lands located in the former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Five (5), Block Five (5) in the First Concession of the Geographic Township of Binbrook, Block 139 and known as The Summit Park Phase 5 on the registered Plan 62M except for the following address (which is excluded):
 - 31 Trinity Church Road in the City of Hamilton.
18. Lands located in the former Township of Binbrook in the former Township of Glanbrook as of December 31, 1973, now in the City of Hamilton and described as Part of Township Lot Two (2), Blocks Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Nine (9), Ten (10) and Eleven (11) except for the following address (which is excluded):
 - 2120 Rymal Road East in the City of Hamilton.

SCHEDULE 2 PROVISION OF STANDARD SUPPLY SERVICE

This Schedule specifies the manner in which the Licensee is authorized to retail electricity for the purposes of fulfilling its obligation under section 29 of the Electricity Act.

The Licensee is authorized to retail electricity directly to consumers within its service area in accordance with paragraph 8.1 of this Licence, any applicable exemptions to this Licence, and at the rates set out in the Rate Orders.

SCHEDULE 3 LIST OF CODE EXEMPTIONS

This Schedule specifies any specific Code requirements from which the Licensee has been exempted.

APPENDIX A

MARKET POWER MITIGATION REBATES

1. Definitions and Interpretations

In this Licence

“embedded distributor” means a distributor who is not a market participant and to whom a host distributor distributes electricity;

“embedded generator” means a generator who is not a market participant and whose generation facility is connected to a distribution system of a distributor, but does not include a generator who consumes more electricity than it generates;

“host distributor” means a distributor who is a market participant and who distributes electricity to another distributor who is not a market participant.

In this Licence, a reference to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO includes interim payments made by the IESO.

2. Information Given to IESO

- a Prior to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO to a distributor, the distributor shall provide the IESO, in the form specified by the IESO and before the expiry of the period specified by the IESO, with information in respect of the volumes of electricity withdrawn by the distributor from the IESO-controlled grid during the rebate period and distributed by the distributor in the distributor's service area to:
 - i consumers served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented; and
 - ii consumers other than consumers referred to in clause (i) who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*.
- b Prior to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO to a distributor which relates to electricity consumed in the service area of an embedded distributor, the embedded distributor shall provide the host distributor, in the form specified by the IESO and before the expiry of the period specified in the Retail Settlement Code, with the volumes of electricity distributed during the rebate period by the embedded distributor's host distributor to the embedded distributor net of any electricity distributed to the embedded distributor which is attributable to embedded generation and distributed by the embedded distributor in the embedded distributor's service area to:
 - i consumers served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented; and
 - ii consumers other than consumers referred to in clause (i) who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*.
- c Prior to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO to a distributor which relates to electricity

consumed in the service area of an embedded distributor, the host distributor shall provide the IESO, in the form specified by the IESO and before the expiry of the period specified by the IESO, with the information provided to the host distributor by the embedded distributor in accordance with section 2.

The IESO may issue instructions or directions providing for any information to be given under this section. The IESO shall rely on the information provided to it by distributors and there shall be no opportunity to correct any such information or provide any additional information and all amounts paid shall be final and binding and not subject to any adjustment.

For the purposes of attributing electricity distributed to an embedded distributor to embedded generation, the volume of electricity distributed by a host distributor to an embedded distributor shall be deemed to consist of electricity withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid or supplied to the host distributor by an embedded generator in the same proportion as the total volume of electricity withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid by the distributor in the rebate period bears to the total volume of electricity supplied to the distributor by embedded generators during the rebate period.

3. Pass Through of Rebate

A distributor shall promptly pass through, with the next regular bill or settlement statement after the rebate amount is received, any rebate received from the IESO, together with interest at the Prime Rate, calculated and accrued daily, on such amount from the date of receipt, to:

- a retailers who serve one or more consumers in the distributor's service area where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented;
- b consumers who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and who are not served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented; and
- c embedded distributors to whom the distributor distributes electricity.

The amounts paid out to the recipients listed above shall be based on energy consumed and calculated in accordance with the rules set out in the Retail Settlement Code. These payments may be made by way of set off at the option of the distributor.

If requested in writing by OPGI, the distributor shall ensure that all rebates are identified as coming from OPGI in the following form on or with each applicable bill or settlement statement:

“ONTARIO POWER GENERATION INC. rebate”

Any rebate amount which cannot be distributed as provided above or which is returned by a retailer to the distributor in accordance with its licence shall be promptly returned to the host distributor or IESO as applicable, together with interest at the Prime Rate, calculated and accrued daily, on such amount from the date of receipt.

Nothing shall preclude an agreement whereby a consumer assigns the benefit of a rebate payment to a retailer or another party.

Pending pass-through or return to the IESO of any rebate received, the distributor shall hold the funds received in trust for the beneficiaries thereof in a segregated account.

ONTARIO POWER GENERATION INC. REBATES

For the payments that relate to the period from May 1, 2006 to April 30, 2009, the rules set out below shall apply.

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 - i consumers served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented and the consumer is not receiving the prices established under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*; and
 - ii consumers other than consumers referred to in clause (i) who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*.
- b Prior to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO to a distributor which relates to electricity consumed in the service area of an embedded distributor, the embedded distributor shall provide the host distributor, in the form specified by the IESO and before the expiry of the period specified in the Retail Settlement Code, with the volumes of electricity distributed during the rebate period by the embedded distributor's host distributor to the embedded distributor net of any electricity distributed to the embedded distributor which is attributable to embedded generation and distributed by the embedded distributor in the embedded distributor's service area to:

- i consumers served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented; and
 - ii consumers other than consumers referred to in clause (i) who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*.
- c Prior to the payment of a rebate amount by the IESO to a distributor which relates to electricity consumed in the service area of an embedded distributor, the host distributor shall provide the IESO, in the form specified by the IESO and before the expiry of the period specified by the IESO, with the information provided to the host distributor by the embedded distributor in accordance with section 2.

The IESO may issue instructions or directions providing for any information to be given under this section. The IESO shall rely on the information provided to it by distributors and there shall be no opportunity to correct any such information or provide any additional information and all amounts paid shall be final and binding and not subject to any adjustment.

For the purposes of attributing electricity distributed to an embedded distributor to embedded generation, the volume of electricity distributed by a host distributor to an embedded distributor shall be deemed to consist of electricity withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid or supplied to the host distributor by an embedded generator in the same proportion as the total volume of electricity withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid by the distributor in the rebate period bears to the total volume of electricity supplied to the distributor by embedded generators during the rebate period.

3. Pass Through of Rebate

A distributor shall promptly pass through, with the next regular bill or settlement statement after the rebate amount is received, any rebate received from the IESO, together with interest at the Prime Rate, calculated and accrued daily, on such amount from the date of receipt, to:

- a retailers who serve one or more consumers in the distributor's service area where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented and the consumer is not receiving the prices established under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*;
- b consumers who are not receiving the fixed price under sections 79.4, 79.5 and 79.16 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and who are not served by a retailer where a service transaction request as defined in the Retail Settlement Code has been implemented; and
- c embedded distributors to whom the distributor distributes electricity.

The amounts paid out to the recipients listed above shall be based on energy consumed and calculated in accordance with the rules set out in the Retail Settlement Code. These payments may be made by way of set off at the option of the distributor.

If requested in writing by OPGI, the distributor shall ensure that all rebates are identified as coming from OPGI in the following form on or with each applicable bill or settlement statement:

"ONTARIO POWER GENERATION INC. rebate"

Any rebate amount which cannot be distributed as provided above or which is returned by a retailer to the distributor in accordance with its licence shall be promptly returned to the host distributor or IESO as applicable, together with interest at the Prime Rate, calculated and accrued daily, on such amount from the date of receipt.

Nothing shall preclude an agreement whereby a consumer assigns the benefit of a rebate payment to a retailer or another party.

Pending pass-through or return to the IESO of any rebate received, the distributor shall hold the funds received in trust for the beneficiaries thereof in a segregated account.