

Board Staff Interrogatories for ALASI Inc. regarding the microFIT Proceeding (EB-2009-0326)

The following Board Staff interrogatories contain questions relating to the proceeding initiated by the Ontario Energy Board to determine and implement a distribution rate for embedded generators having a nameplate capacity of 10 kW or less.

References

i. Evidence, Pages 1-18

- The 1st reference provides recommendations related to each item in the final issues list.

Questions

1. On page 12 of the 1st reference, ALASI submits that costs for microFIT generation facilities should be recovered through a Province-wide rate, and specifically through the introduction and addition of a non-commodity charge item called "Renewable Energy Recovery Fee" (RERF). Please confirm whether ALASI's proposal calls for the RERF to be:
 - a. A monthly fee or a one-time charge, and
 - b. Charged to:
 - the associated load customer, or
 - all residential customers, or
 - all customers
2. Please elaborate on the charge determinant for RERF and further confirm that it is not per kW or per kWh as the definition of RERF provided on page 12 of the 1st reference labels it as a non-commodity charge.
3. On page 12 of the 1st reference, ALASI states that "While the addition of and calculation formula for the RERF is beyond the immediate scope of these proceedings..." . How does this statement reconcile with the Board's intention in this proceeding to determine a just and reasonable rate for embedded generators having a nameplate capacity of 10 kW or less?