



**EB-2008-0248**

**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 West Coast  
Huron Energy Inc. for an order approving or fixing just  
and reasonable rates and other charges for the  
distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2009.

**BEFORE:** Cathy Spoel  
Presiding Member

Pamela Nowina  
Member and Vice Chair

## **RATE ORDER**

West Coast Huron Energy Inc. (“West Coast” or “the Company”) is a licensed distributor of electricity providing service to consumers within the Town of Goderich. West Coast filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2009. The Board assigned file number EB-2008-0248 to the application.

The Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (“AMPCO”), the School Energy Coalition (“SEC”) and the Vulnerable Energy Consumer Coalition (“VECC”) requested and were granted intervenor status.

The Board issued its Decision on West Coast's application on June 17, 2009. In the Decision, the Board ordered the rates established in this proceeding as interim for a three month period to provide West Coast with the opportunity to submit additional evidence on the specific issue of post retirement benefits before finalizing the 2009 rates. The Board issued its Rate Order for Interim Rates on West Coast's application on July 31, 2009.

On September 17, 2009 West Coast filed additional evidence on the post retirement benefits issue. Procedural Order No. 6 issued September 18, 2009 set out the schedule for interrogatories, responses and submissions. On December 7, 2009 the Board issued its Decision and Order.

West Coast filed material supporting the Rate Order and proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges on December 18, 2009. While intervenors and Board staff were given the opportunity to comment on the material, the Board did not receive any comments.

The Board has reviewed the information provided in support of the Rate Order and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges. The Board is satisfied that the Tariff of Rates and Charges accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

**THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order is approved effective September 1, 2009 but with an implementation date of February 1, 2010, for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Order supersedes all previous Tariff of Rates and Charges approved by the Ontario Energy Board for West Coast Huron Energy Inc. and is final in all respects.

3. West Coast Huron Energy Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, January 21, 2010

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

**Appendix “A”**

**To The Rate Order Arising from Decision**

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**West Coast Huron Energy Inc.**

**January 21, 2010**

# **West Coast Huron Energy**

## **TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**

### **Effective May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009**

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#### **APPLICATION**

- The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Codes, Guidelines or Orders 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 any Codes, Guidelines or Order by the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.
- This schedule does not contain any rates and charges relating to the electricity commodity (e.g. the Regulated Price Plan).

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES**

**DISTRIBUTION RATES** –May 1st, 2009 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date.  
**SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES** –May 1st, 2009 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date.  
**RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES** –May 1st, 2009 for all charges incurred by retailers or customers on or after that date.  
**LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT** –May 1st, 2009 unless the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates. In that case, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

#### **SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS**

##### **Residential Customers**

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to customers residing in residential dwelling units. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

##### **General Service Less Than 50 kW**

This classification applies to the supply of electrical energy to General Service Buildings requiring a connection with a connected load less than 50 kW and, Town Houses and Condominiums described in section 3.1.8 of the distributor's Conditions of Service that require centralized bulk metering. General Service Buildings are defined as buildings that are used for purposes other than single family dwellings. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

##### **General Service 50 to 499 kW**

This classification applies to the supply of electrical energy to General Service Customers requiring a connection with a connected load, whose average monthly maximum demand used, for billing purposes, is, or is forecast to be, equal to or greater than 50 kW but less than 500 kW. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

##### **General Service 500 to 4,999 kW**

This classification applies to the supply of electrical energy to General Service Customers requiring a connection with a connected load, whose average monthly maximum demand used, for billing purposes, is, or is forecast to be, equal to or greater than 500 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

##### **Large Use**

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to General Service Customers requiring a connection with a connected load or 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, 5,000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

##### **Unmetered Scattered Load**

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak demand is less

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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, decorative street lighting, billboards, etc. The level of consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **Sentinel Lighting**

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light.

#### **Street Lighting**

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 connection load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template. Street Lighting plant, facilities or equipment owned by the customer are subject to the ESA requirements.

## **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES**

### **Residential**

Service Charge	\$	14.09
Smart Meter Charge	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0182
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.0049
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.0036
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0046
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

### **General Service Less Than 50 kW**

Service Charge	\$	33.46
Smart Meter Charge	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0115
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.0031
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.0022
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

### **General Service 50 to 499 kW**

Service Charge	\$	402.56
Smart Meter Charge	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	1.7885
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.5661
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.3924
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.5693
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.6359
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013

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#### General Service 500 to 4,999 kW

Service Charge	\$	3,306.66
Smart Meter Charge	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	1.6667
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.7349
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.4937
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.6668
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.7934
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

#### Large Use

Service Charge	\$	8,652.72
Smart Meter Charge	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	1.1311
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.1518
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.0648
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.8457
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	2.0508
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

#### Unmetered Scattered Load

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	33.47
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0296
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-0.0065
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	0.0047
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

#### Sentinel Lighting

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	5.64
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	10.7515
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-2.7124
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	2.2679
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.1896
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.2911
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013

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**Street Lighting**

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.95
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	10.6974
Deferral Account 1550 Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2011	\$/kWh	-3.0948
Effective Date Revenue Recovery Rate Rider – effective until April 30, 2010	\$/kWh	1.9876
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.1836
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	1.2911
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
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**Specific Service Charges**

Customer Administration		
Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	15.00
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
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
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles \$/pole/year	\$	22.35
Allowances		
Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

**Retail Service Charges (if applicable)**

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 charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing 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**

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0467
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0145
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0362
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0045