

EB-2009-0259

**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 Burlington Hydro Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2010.

**BEFORE:** Cynthia Chaplin

Presiding Member

### **RATE ORDER**

Burlington Hydro Inc. ("Burlington") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 28, 2009. The application was filed under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O 1998, c. 15 (Sched. B) seeking approval for changes to the rates that it charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2010.

The Board issued its Decision on the application on March 1, 2010. In the Decision, the Board ordered the Applicant to file a draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings in the Decision. The Board approved an implementation date and an effective date of May 1, 2010.

The Applicant filed a draft Rate Order and supporting material on March 15, 2010. Board staff and intervenors filed comments on March 18, 2010 and the Applicant replied on March 23, 2010 and included a revised draft Rate Order.

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

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## Introduction of microFIT Generator Service Classification and Rate

In the Board's Decision on the application on March 1, 2010, the Board approved, on an interim basis, a microFIT generator service classification definition and service charge.

On March 17, 2010, the Board issued a rate order approving a province-wide fixed monthly charge for all electricity distributors related to the microFIT generator rate class at a rate of \$5.25 per month, effective September 21, 2009. The Board notes that in its revised draft Rate Order filed on March 23, 2010, Burlington complied with the March 17, 2010 microFIT order.

### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order is approved effective May 1, 2010 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
- 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 the Burlington Hydro Inc. service area, and is final in all respects.
- 3. Burlington Hydro Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, March 26, 2010

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary

## Appendix A

TO RATE ORDER
BURLINGTON HYDRO INC.

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**DATED** March 26, 2010

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2010 except for the microFIT Generator Class effective date of September 21, 2009

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electrical energy to residential customers where such energy is used exclusively in 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 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	\$	12.15
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0166
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0006)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery		, ,
- effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0003
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0054
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/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 Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	25.24 1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0136
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0006)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery		
- effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0057
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

## **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component**

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/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**

This classification applies to general service customers with a monthly average peak demand during a calendar year equal to or greater than, or is forecast by BHI to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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#### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	71.66
Smart Meter Funding Adder	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.8286
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.1240
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.2906)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery		, ,
- effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0103
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3428
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9574
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.3768
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.0663
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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/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**

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kWh	10.18 0.0176
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0003 (0.0006) 0.0057 0.0047
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0052 0.0013

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0.25

## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to roadway lighting customers such as the City of Burlington, the Regional Municipality of Halton, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The daily consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required night time or lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component**

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kW	0.36 2.6146
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition – effective until April 30, 2014 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	0.1089 (0.3359) 1.7370 1.4705
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0052 0.0013

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## microFIT GENERATOR 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 - effective September 21, 2009

Service Charge \$ 5.25

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## **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)

## SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Customer Administration Arrears certificate Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Statement of account Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00 15.00
Non-Payment of Account Late Payment - per month Late Payment - per annum Collection of account charge – no disconnection Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter During Regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter After Hours	% \$ \$ \$	1.50 19.56 30.00 65.00 185.00
Temporary service install & remove – overhead – no transformer Specific charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$ \$	500.00 22.35

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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

er\$	100.00
\$	20.00
\$/cust.	0.50
\$/cust.	0.30
\$/cust.	(0.30)
\$	0.25
\$	0.50
	no charge
\$	2.00
	\$/cust. \$/cust.

## 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	1.0405
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0301
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5.000 kW	N/A