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January 5, 2011

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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.
Response to Board Staff Interrogatories
2011 Electricity Distribution Rate Application EB – 2010-0068**

Attached please find Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. response to Board staff interrogatories regarding the above application.

Two copies of this letter have been forwarded to your attention via courier.

If you require any additional information or clarification, please contact me at (519) 621-8405, ext. 2355.

Yours truly,

CAMBRIDGE & NORTH DUMFRIES HYDRO INC.

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**Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.
2011 Electricity Distribution Rates
EB-2010-0068
Board Staff Interrogatories**

1. Tax Change Rate Rider Sunset Date

Ref: Rate Generator Model

Ref: RTSR Model

A portion of Sheet J2.7 from the Rate Generator Model is reproduced below

Tax Change Rate Rider

Rate Rider	Tax Change
Sunset Date	30/04/2010 DD/MM/YYYY
Metric Applied To	All Customers
Method of Application	Distinct Volumetric

Please confirm that the Sunset Date should be 30/04/2012, reflecting a 1-year refund period from May 1, 2011. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant correction.

[Response](#)

CND confirms that the Sunset Date for the Tax Change Rate Rider should be 30/04/2012.

IRM RTSR Adjustment Calculation - Network

The purpose of this sheet is to update re-aligned RTSR-Network rates to recover forecast wholesale Network costs.

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Rate Class	Vol Metric	Current RTSR - Network [D] Column B Sheet B1.1	Proposed RTSR - Network [D] Column E Sheet E1.1	RTSR - Network Adjustment C - D - A
Residential	kWh	0.0045	0.0048	0.000339233
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	0.0040	0	0.000301541
General Service 50 to 999 kW	kW	2.5866	3	0.194991328
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW	kW	1.9645	2	0.148094203
Large Use	kW	1.8616	2	0.140337067
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	0.0040	0	0.000301541
Street Lighting	kW	1.2998	1	0.097985668
Embedded Distributor	kW	1.8616	2	0.140337067
Embedded Distributor	kW	1.8616	2	0.140337067

Enter this value into
 column "G" on sheet "L1.1 Appl
 For TX Network" of the 2011
 Rate Generator

- Please explain the discrepancies between the values in the "\$ Adjustment" column in the former and values in column C titled "RTSR – Network Adjustment" in the latter. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response

The values in the "\$ Adjustment" column on Sheet L1.1 from the Rate Generator Model should have been the adjustment values for the RTSR Connection charges and the values in the "\$ Adjustment" column on Sheet L2.1 from the Rate Generator Model should have been the adjustment values for the RTSR Network charges.

CND requests that Board Staff make the corrections.

3. RTSR Connection Adjustment

Ref: Rate Generator Model

Ref: RTSR Model

A portion of Sheet L2.1 from the Rate Generator Model is reproduced below.

Applied For RTSR - Connection

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Rate Class	Applied to Class				
Residential	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kwh	0.003200	0.000%	0.000300	0.003500
General Service Less Than 50 kW	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kwh	0.003000	0.000%	0.000300	0.003300
General Service 50 to 999 kW	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.851100	0.000%	0.195000	2.046100
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.452700	0.000%	0.148100	1.600800
Large Use	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.478800	0.000%	0.140300	1.619100
Unmetered Scattered Load	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kwh	0.003000	0.000%	0.000300	0.003300
Street Lighting	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.930200	0.000%	0.098000	1.028200
Embedded Distributor	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.478800	0.000%	0.140300	1.619100
Embedded Distributor	Yes				
Rate Description	Vol Metric	Current Amount	% Adjustment	\$ Adjustment	Final Amount
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.478800	0.000%	0.140300	1.619100

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A portion of Sheet F1.2 from the RTSR Model is reproduced below.

IRM RTSR Adjustment Calculation - Connection

The purpose of this sheet is to update re-aligned RTSR-Network rates to recover forecast wholesale Network costs.

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Rate Class	Vol Metric	Current RTSR - Connection	Proposed RTSR - Connection	RTSR - Network Adjustment
		[B] Column 2 Sheet B1.1	[D] Column 5 Sheet B1.2	C - B - A
Residential	kWh	0.0032	0.0033	9.84242E-05
General Service Less Than 50 k/w	kWh	0.0030	0.0031	9.22727E-05
General Service 50 to 999 k/w	kW	1.8511	1.9080	0.056935328
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 k/w	kW	1.4527	1.4974	0.044681515
Large Use	kW	1.4788	1.5243	0.045484287
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	0.0030	0.0031	9.22727E-05
Street Lighting	kW	0.3302	0.3588	0.028610687
Embedded Distributor	kW	1.4788	1.5243	0.045484287
Embedded Distributor	kW	1.4788	1.5243	0.045484287

Enter this value into
 column "G" on sheet "L2.1 Appl
 For TX Connect" of the 2011
 Rate Generator

- a. Please explain the discrepancies between the values in the "\$ Adjustment" column in the former and values in column C titled "RTSR – Network Adjustment" in the latter. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response

Please refer to the response to question 2 (a)

4. Revenue Offsets Allocation

Ref: Revenue Cost Ratio Model

A portion of Sheet C1.2 from the Revenue Cost Ratio Model is reproduced below.

Revenue Offsets Allocation

The purpose of this sheet is to allocate the Revenue Offsets (miscellaneous revenue) found in the last COS to the various rate classes in proportion to the allocation from the Cost Allocation informational filing.

Rate Class	Informational Filing Revenue Offsets A	Percentage Split C= A / B	Allocated Revenue Offsets E = D * C
Residential	950,826	63.80%	950,826
General Service Less Than 50 k/w	195,173	13.10%	195,173
General Service 50 to 999 k/w	208,555	13.99%	208,555
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 k/w	70,933	4.76%	70,933
Large Use	22,656	1.52%	22,656
Unmetered Scattered Load	6,960	0.47%	6,960
Street Lighting	24,188	1.62%	24,188
Embedded Distributor	8,205	0.55%	8,205
Embedded Distributor	2,914	0.20%	2,914
	B 1,490,410	100.00%	D 1,490,410

- a. Board Staff has been unable to verify the figures in column A (Informational Filing Revenue Offsets) for the various rate classes. Please provide evidence supporting these amounts.

Response

The figures presented in column A are the Revenue Offsets from CND 2010 Cost of Service Rate Application.

Specifically, page 3 of Appendix C of the Updated Draft Rate Order filed on May 05, 2010.

5. Transformer Allowance

Ref: Revenue Cost Ratio Model

Ref: Tariff of Rates and Charges, effective May 1, 2010

A portion of Sheet C1.3 from the Revenue Cost Ratio Model is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Transformer Allowance In Rate	Transformer Allowance	Transformer Allowance kW's	Transformer Allowance Rate
Residential	No			
General Service Less Than 50 k/w	No			
General Service 50 to 999 k/w	Yes	42,400	1,312,686	0.0323
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 k/w	Yes	241,345	478,860	0.5040
Large Use	No			
Unmetered Scattered Load	No			
Street Lighting	No			
Embedded Distributor	No			
Embedded Distributor	No			
		283,745	1,791,546	
		B	D	
		0		

- Board Staff notes that the Transformer Allowance Rates shown in column E of the exhibit do not align with the corresponding allowance in the current tariff sheet, i.e. Tariff of Rates and Charges, effective May 1, 2010, where it is shown as \$0.60 per kW. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response

CND confirms that the transformer allowance shown above is incorrect and request it be updated to the \$0.60 per kW.

6. Billing Determinants and Rates

Ref: Tax Model

A portion of Sheet B1.1 from the Tax Model is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Re-based Billed Customers or Connections A	Re-based Billed kWh B	Re-based Billed kW C	Rate ReBal Base Service Charge D	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kWh E	Rate ReBal Base Distribution Volumetric Rate kW F
Residential	Customer	k/v/h	45,218	388,793,819		9.93	0.0161	
General Service Less Than 50 k/v	Customer	k/v/h	4,582	168,223,630		11.74	0.0125	
General Service 50 to 999 k/v	Customer	k/v	724	494,496,789	1,312,696	107.06		3.6082
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 k/v	Customer	k/v	25	215,965,446	478,860	894.91		3.1597
Large Use	Customer	k/v	2	159,305,102	308,824	7,666.51		2.1290
Unmetered Scattered Load	Connection	k/v/h	507	1,955,931		6.97	0.0149	
Street Lighting	Connection	k/v	12,717	9,470,257	24,144	2.01		12.8127
Embedded Distributor	Connection	k/v						
Embedded Distributor	Connection	k/v						

Enter "Rate ReBal Base" rates from Sheet "E1.1 Rate Reb Base Dist Rts Gen" of your 2011 IRM3 Rate Generator.

- a) Board staff notes that data for the two Embedded Distributor rates classes is missing in columns A, C and F. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response

CND confirms that the values for the Embedded Distributors were omitted in error and requests that Board Staff make the corrections.

7. Loss Adjusted Metered kWh

Ref: RTSR Model

A portion of Sheet B1.2 from the RTSR Model is reproduced below.

2009 Distributor Billing Determinants

Enter the most recently reported RRR billing determinants

Loss Adjusted Metered kWh

Loss Adjusted Metered kW

Rate Class	Vol Metric	Metered kWh	Metered kW	Applicable Loss Factor	Load Factor
		A	B	C	D = A / (B * 730)
Residential	kWh	382,507,290	0	1.0286	
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	161,342,744	0	1.0286	
General Service 50 to 999 kW	kW	446,815,354	1,333,953	1.0286	45.91%
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW	kW	236,334,466	533,659	1.0286	60.70%
Large Use	kW	179,655,218	414,778	1.0103	59.37%
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	2,132,593	0	1.0286	
Street Lighting	kW	9,462,131	26,431	1.0286	49.07%
Embedded Distributor	kW		77,828	1.0286	0.00%
Embedded Distributor	kW		27,195	1.0286	0.00%
Total		1,418,249,796	2,413,844		

- a. Please confirm that the kWh volumes in column A are not loss adjusted, i.e. losses are not included in these volumes.

Response

CND confirms that the kWh volumes in column A above are not loss adjusted.

8. Recovery of RTSR Connection Charge

Ref: RTSR Model

Ref: Deferral/Variance Account Model.

A portion of Sheet D1.2 from the RTSR Model is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Vol Metric	Billed Amount (D) = (A) * (B) or (A) * (C)	Billed Amount % (F) = (D) / (E)	Current Wholesale Billing (H) = (G) * (F)
Residential	kWh	\$ 1,224,023	21.28%	\$ 1,261,671
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	\$ 484,028	8.41%	\$ 498,916
General Service 50 to 999 kW	kW	\$ 2,469,280	42.93%	\$ 2,545,229
General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW	kW	\$ 775,246	13.48%	\$ 799,091
Large Use	kW	\$ 613,374	10.66%	\$ 632,240
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	\$ 6,398	0.11%	\$ 6,595
Street Lighting	kW	\$ 24,586	0.43%	\$ 25,342
Embedded Distributor	kW	\$ 115,092	2.00%	\$ 118,632
Embedded Distributor	kW	\$ 40,216	0.70%	\$ 41,453
		\$ 5,752,244	100.00%	\$ 5,929,169
		(E)		(G) Cell Q73 Sheet C1.2

A portion of Sheet D1.6 from the Deferral/Variance Account Model is reproduced below.

Account Description	Account Number	Total Claim J = C + I
LV Variance Account	1550	58,929
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(525,140)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	90,043
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(1,121,272)
RSVA - Power (Excluding Global Adjustment)	1588	(1,470,850)
RSVA - Power (Global Adjustment Sub-account)		7,949,833
Recovery of Regulatory Asset Balances	1590	(13,335)
Residual Balance Disposition and recovery of Def/Var Balances Account (2008)	1595	0
	Total	4,968,208

- In the former, column D is less than column H which indicates an under-recovery of the RTSR Network charge. In the latter, Account 1586 shows an over-recovery as of December 31, 2009. Please explain this apparent discrepancy.

Response

The amounts in column D are the connection charges CND billed to its customers based on its 2009 volumes (kWh/KW) and 2010 connection rates. The amounts in column H are the forecasted billings from the IESO and Hydro One for RTSR Connection charges based on the expected 2011 URT rates and CND 2009 volumes (kWh/KW).

The higher values in column H represent an under-recovery of RTSR Connection charges. Thus, resulting in an increase in connection rates.

The amounts in Sheet D1.6 from the Deferral/Variance Account Model are the accounts balance at December 31, 2009 plus projected carrying charges to April 30, 2011.

9. Historical wholesale Transmission

Ref: RTSR Model

A portion of Sheet C1.1 from the RTSR Model is reproduced below.

Hydro One

Month	Network			Line Connection			Line Transformation		
	Units Billed	Rate	Amount	Units Billed	Rate	Amount	Units Billed	Rate	Amount
January	10,719	\$ 2.01	\$ 21,546	12,688	\$ 0.50	\$ 6,344		\$ -	
February	7,723	\$ 2.01	\$ 15,524	7,819	\$ 0.50	\$ 3,910		\$ -	
March	7,600	\$ 2.01	\$ 15,276	7,864	\$ 0.50	\$ 3,932		\$ -	
April	6,639	\$ 2.01	\$ 13,343	6,740	\$ 0.50	\$ 3,370		\$ -	
May	5,674	\$ 2.24	\$ 12,709	5,357	\$ 0.60	\$ 3,214		\$ -	
June	8,135	\$ 2.24	\$ 18,223	2,182	\$ 0.60	\$ 1,309		\$ -	
July	7,047	\$ 2.24	\$ 15,784	12,985	\$ 0.60	\$ 7,791		\$ -	
August	8,485	\$ 2.24	\$ 19,007	8,546	\$ 0.60	\$ 5,128		\$ -	
September	6,845	\$ 2.24	\$ 15,333	6,903	\$ 0.60	\$ 4,142		\$ -	
October	6,834	\$ 2.24	\$ 15,309	7,017	\$ 0.60	\$ 4,210		\$ -	
November	7,622	\$ 2.24	\$ 17,073	7,684	\$ 0.60	\$ 4,610		\$ -	
December	8,120	\$ 2.24	\$ 18,189	8,271	\$ 0.60	\$ 4,963		\$ -	
Total	91,443	\$ 2.16	\$ 197,316	94,055	\$ 0.56	\$ 52,922	-	\$ -	\$ -

- a. Board staff notes that data is missing in the Line Transformation column. If this is an error, please provide the information, Board staff will make the relevant corrections in the model.

Response

CND confirms that no data is missing for Line Transformation. Hydro One only bills CND for Network and Line Connection charges. There is no transformation at the wholesale delivery point as the power is received at a voltage below 50 kV.

10. Global Adjustment Recovery

Ref: Rate Generator Model

Ref: Deferral/Variance Account Model

Ref: Tariff of Rates and Charges Effective May 1, 2010

Both Sheet J3.21 from the Rate Generator Model and Sheet A1.1 from the Deferral/Variance Account Model indicate a proposed recovery of the Global Adjustment ("GA") sub-account balance through the electricity component of the bill. The Tariff of Rates and Charges Effective May 1, 2010 indicates that the rate rider for the GA sub-account was included in the delivery component of the bill.

- a. Please provide the rationale for the proposed change in the recovery of the GA sub-account balance from the delivery to the electricity component of the bill.

Response

CND requests that the proposed recovery of the Global Adjustment ("GA") sub-account balance be included in the delivery component of the bill consistent with the 2010 Tariff of Rates and Charges.

- b. Were the GA rate rider to be included in the electricity component of the bill, would it be adjusted by the loss factor? Please explain.

Response

CND requests that the Global Adjustment be included in the delivery component of the bill, which is billed on loss adjusted consumption.

11. Smart Meter Rate Adder

Ref: Smart Meter Model

Ref: Manager's Summary

Sheet 8 from the Smart Meter Model indicates a Proposed Smart Meter Rate Adder of \$1.61, whereas p.9 of the Manager's Summary states that Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro is proposing to increase the Smart Meter Rate Adder to \$2.80 per month.

- a. Please explain the discrepancy and indicate which source is correct.

Response

CND filed an updated Smart Meter Model and Manager's Summary on November 16, 2010 requesting that the Smart Meter Rate Adder be updated to \$1.61 from \$2.80 that was included in the application filed on November 01, 2010.

12. Billing Determinants – 2010 CoS Forecast

Ref: Deferral/Variance Account Model

A portion of Sheet B1.3 from the Deferral/Variance Account Model is reproduced below.

2010 COS Forecast

Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Metered kWh	Metered kW
Residential	Customer	kWh	387,314,732	
General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	170,263,597	
General Service 50 to 999 kW - Interval Metered	Customer	kW	484,236,276	1,244,174
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Customer	kW	249,869,851	554,036
Large Use > 5000 kW	Customer	kW	230,297,755	446,448
Unmetered Scattered Load	Connection	kWh	2,112,232	
Street Lighting	Connection	kW	9,448,890	24,090

- Board Staff has been unable to verify the figures in the “Metered kWh” and “Metered kW” columns. Further, Board staff notes that these numbers do not match corresponding numbers in Sheet B1.1 of the Tax Model. Please provide evidence supporting these amounts. If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant corrections.

Response

CND requests that the “Metered kWh” be updated based on the numbers on Sheet B1.1 of the tax model. These numbers are from page 2, of Appendix B of CND Updated Draft Rate Order filed with the Board on May 05, 2010.