

EB-2011-0178

**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 Kingston Hydro Corporation for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2012.

**BEFORE:** Karen Taylor

**Presiding Member** 

Paula Conboy Member

## **RATE ORDER**

## Introduction

Kingston Hydro Corporation ("Kingston Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 30, 2011 for permission to change its delivery charges beginning May 1, 2012. The application was filed under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), under the Board's guidelines for 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation Mechanism ("IRM") which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates between cost of service applications.

The Board issued its Decision and Order (the "Decision") on the application on April 19, 2012. In that Decision, the Board ordered Kingston Hydro to file revised IRM models and supporting documentation in Microsoft Excel format and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges reflecting the Board's findings.

Kingston Hydro filed its Draft Rate Order, revised models, supporting documentation and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges on April 25, 2012.

By way of letter dated May 2, 2012, Board staff submitted comments indicating that Kingston had used certain incorrect tax rates in calculating the balance for disposition in its Account 1562. Board staff also requested that Kingston provide revised incremental capital models to reflect an even distribution among its proposed capital projects of the \$326,159 adjustment to the incremental capital amount approved in the Board's Decision.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition did not submit comments on the material filed.

On May 7, Kingston provided revised models incorporating the changes outlined in Board staff's comments.

The Board has reviewed the comments submitted by Board staff and the information provided by Kingston Hydro in its reply. The Board is satisfied that the revisions requested by Board staff and provided by Kingston in the revised models and Tariff of Rates and Charges accurately reflect the Board's Decision.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order will become final, effective May 1, 2012, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2012. Kingston Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 11, 2012

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

# Appendix A

# To Rate Order

**Final Tariff of Rates and Charges** 

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# **Kingston Electricity Distribution Limited** TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2012

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# RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate 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 a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. All customers are single-phase. 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	\$	12.17
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0149
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0011
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0016)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012)		
<ul><li>effective until April 30, 2013</li></ul>	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0007
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0063
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
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	\$	25.05
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0104
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012)		
- effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0005
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	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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# **GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers to a non residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast 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	\$	271.38
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.9440
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2520
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.4946
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0021)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.1571)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012)		
<ul><li>effective until April 30, 2013</li></ul>	\$/kW	0.1210
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0106)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0776
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5033
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0307
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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# LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

Service Charge	\$	5,003.33
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.0207
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3036
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.6827
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0370)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0605)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012)		
- effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	0.0009
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0049)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0355
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.0162
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4469

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
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**

Service Charge	\$	11.19
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0136
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0011)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery (2012)		
- effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.0001
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0005
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0063
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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# STANDBY POWER SERVICE CLASSIFICATION – APPROVED ON AN INTERIM BASIS

This classification refers to an account that has Load Displacement Generation and requires Kingston Electricity Distribution to provide back-up service. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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## **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES**

Standby Charge – for a month where standby power is not provided, the charge is based on the applicable General Service 50 to 4,999 kW or Large Use Distribution Volumetric Charge applied to the contracted amount (e.g. nameplate rating of generation facility).

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# STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required 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**

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kW	1.00 4.5296
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1820
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.4747
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	0.0539
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.4784)
Rate Rider for Tax Change (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0298)
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.2178
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8082
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4668

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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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**

Service Charge \$ 5.25

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## **ALLOWANCES**

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(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	\$	15.00
Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set-up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	15.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
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
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
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – After regular hours	\$ \$ \$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device – During regular hours	\$	65.00
Install/Remove load control device – After regular hours	\$	185.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35
Layout fees	\$	200.00

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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

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

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	1.0344
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0180
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0241
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5 000 kW	1 0078