



November 12, 2012  
Ms. Kirstin Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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**Re: EB-2012-00117 Responses to Board Staff Interrogatories**

Dear Ms. Walli:

Please find attached Cooperative Hydro Embrun (CHE)'s responses to Board Staff Interrogatories issued October 19, 2012.

Should there be any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below.  
Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "B. Lamarche", is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp.

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**Cooperative Hydro Embrun Inc. (“CHE”)  
2013 IRM Rate Application  
EB-2012-0117  
Response to Board Staff Interrogatories**

**RTSR Adjustment Work Form**

1. Ref: A portion of Sheet 4 “RRR Data” is reproduced below.

Rate Class	Unit	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh	Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW	Applicable Loss Factor	Load Factor	Loss Adjusted Billed kWh	Billed kW
Residential	kWh	19,799,668		1.0579		20,946,069	-
General Service Less Than 50 kW	kWh	5,135,362		1.0579		5,432,699	-
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	kW		12,041		0.00%	-	12,041
Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	88,892		1.0579		94,039	-
Street Lighting	kW		1,003		0.00%	-	1,003

Please confirm that the amounts entered into the columns “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh” and “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW” have not been adjusted by CHE’s Board-approved loss factor.

**Response: CHI confirms that the amounts entered into the columns “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh” and “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW” are not loss adjusted.**

**2013 IRM Rate Generator**

2. Ref: A portion of Sheet 3 “Rate Class Selection” from the Rate Generator is reproduced below

	Rate Class Classification
1	Residential
2	General Service Less Than 50 kW – Three Phase energy-billed [G3]
3	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW
4	Unmetered Scattered Load
5	Street Lighting
6	MicroFit

a) Board staff notes that the rate class classification for “General Service Less Than 50 kW - Three Phase energy-billed [G3]” does not match CHE’s current Tariff of Rates and Charges. If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary correction.

**Response: CHI confirms that the correct rate class classification for the GS<50 class is; General Service Less Than 50 kW**

3. Ref: A portion of the Residential and GS 50 to 4,999 kW rate classes on Sheet 4 "Current Tariff Schedule" is reproduced below

<b>Residential Service Classification</b>		
<b>MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component</b> (If applicable, Effective Date MUST be included in rate de		
Service Charge	\$	13.63
Rate Rider for Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the Effective date of the next cost of service application	\$	1.4400
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0127
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0014
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery – Effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – Effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0021)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RFP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0014
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0060
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048

<b>General Service 50 to 4,999 kW Service Classification</b>		
<b>MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component</b> (If applicable, Effective Date MUST be included in rate de		
Service Charge	\$	244.10
Rate Rider for Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the Effective date of the next cost of service application	\$	14.30
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.5228
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4778
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery – Effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.0284
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.7109)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2013 Applicable only for Non-RFP Customers	\$/kW	0.4834
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2389
Retail Transmission Rate - Line Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7009

- a) Board staff has been unable to confirm the "Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – Effective until April 30, 2014 - \$(0.0021)" for the Residential rate class with CHE's last Board-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges. Board staff believes the correct rate is "Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014 - \$(0.0021)". Please confirm and, if necessary, Board staff will make the change to the model.

**Response: CHI confirms that the correct rate is in fact "Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014 - \$(0.0021)". CHI respectfully requests that Board Staff updates the model accordingly.**

- b) Board staff has been unable to confirm the “Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2013 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - \$0.4834” for the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW rate class with CHE’s last Board-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges. Board staff believes the correct rate is “Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub- Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - \$0.4834”. Please confirm and, if necessary, Board staff will make the change to the model.

**Response: CHI confirms that the correct rate is in fact Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub- Account Disposition (2012) – Effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - \$0.4834”. CHI respectfully requests that Board Staff updates the model accordingly.**

4. Ref: A portion of Sheet 6 “Billing Determinant for DefVar” is reproduced below

Rate Class	Unit	Metered kWh	Metered kW	Billed kWh for Non-RPP Customers
Residential	\$/kWh	19,868,483		1,896,946
General Service Less Than 50 kW – Three Phase energy-billed [G3]	\$/kWh	4,729,493		100,064
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	\$/kW	4,088,585	11,793	4,088,585
Unmetered Scattered Load	\$/kWh	89,786		133
Street Lighting	\$/kW	359,464	1,003	
MicroFit				
<b>Total</b>		<b>29,135,811</b>	<b>12,796</b>	<b>6,085,728</b>

- a) Board staff is unable to reconcile the Metered kWh (Column C) and Metered kW (Column D) figures CHE has provided with the reported amounts in CHE’s 2.1.5 RRR (as at December 31, 2011) or with those in the 2010 cost of service decision for all customer classes.

Please provide supporting evidence and justification for the following figures for all rate classes.

**Response: CHI used the same billing determinants used in its 2012 IRM application (EB-2011-0164. Tab 10 of the CHEI 2012 IRM Rate Generator\_20111018).**

**That being said, CHE agrees with Board Staff in that the figures do not appear to reconcile with either the RRR filings or the 2010 Cost of Service application. CHE therefore recommends using the 2010 approved 2010 Load Forecast as presented below. CHI respectfully requests that Board Staff updates the model accordingly.**

Customer Class Name	2010 Normalized
Residential	19,657,452
General Service Less Than 50 kW	4,976,291
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	4,387,835
Unmetered Scattered Load	93,536
Street Lighting	388,274
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,503,388</b>
Customer Class Name	2010 Normalized
Residential	
General Service Less Than 50 kW	
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	12,779
Unmetered Scattered Load	
Street Lighting	1,066
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,845</b>

5. Ref: A portion of Sheet 10 "Other Charges & LF" is reproduced below

Non-Payment of Account		
Late Payment - per month	%	1.50
Late Payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge - no disconnection	\$	20.00
Collection of account charge - no disconnection - after regular hours	\$	50.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter during Regular Hours	\$	25.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter during Regular Hours	\$	50.00
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	\$	25.00
Install/Remove load control device - after regular hours	\$	50.00
service call - customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
service call - after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary service installation and removal - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service installation and removal - underground - no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service installation and removal - overhead - with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific charge for access to power poles \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

- a) Board staff notes that the Specific Service Charge for "Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At meter during Regular hours - \$50.00" does not reconcile with CHE's current Tariff of Rates and Charges.

If this is an error, Board staff will make the relevant correction.

**Response: CHI confirms that an error was made while populating the model. Please find below the correct charges for Disconnect/Reconnect Charges-At Meter. CHI respectfully requests that Board Staff updates the model accordingly.**

Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter during Regular Hours	\$	25.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter after Regular Hours	\$	50.00