Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0163

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 Renfrew Hydro Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Marika Hare Presiding Member

DECISION AND ORDER April 4, 2013

Introduction

Renfrew Hydro Inc. ("Renfrew Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 1, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, *1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that Renfrew Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

Renfrew Hydro is one of 77 electricity distributors in Ontario regulated by the Board. The *Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* (the "IR Report"), issued on July 14, 2008, established a three year plan for 3rd generation incentive regulation mechanism ("IRM") (i.e., rebasing plus three years). In its October 27, 2010 letter regarding the development of a Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity ("RRFE"), the Board announced that it was extending the IRM plan until such time as the RRFE policy initiatives have been substantially completed. In a letter dated October 18, 2012, the Board stated its expectation that the three rate setting methods set out in the *Report of the Board – Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity Distributors: A Performance-Based Approach* would be available for the 2014 rate year.

As part of the plan, Renfrew Hydro is one of the electricity distributors that will have its rates adjusted for 2013 on the basis of the IRM process, which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates and charges between cost of service applications. Renfrew Hydro also sought approval for adjustments to its revenue-to-cost ratios.

To streamline the process for the approval of distribution rates and charges for distributors, the Board issued its IR Report, *Supplemental Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on September 17, 2008 (the "Supplemental Report"), and *Addendum to the Supplemental Report of the Board on 3rd Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on January 28, 2009 (collectively the "Reports"). Among other things, the Reports provide the relevant guidelines for 2013 rate adjustments for distributors applying for distribution rate adjustments pursuant to the IRM process. On June 28, 2012, the Board issued an update to Chapter 3 of the Board's *Filing Requirements for Transmission and Distribution Applications* (the "Filing Requirements"), which outlines the application filing requirements for IRM applications based on the policies in the Reports.

Notice of Renfrew Hydro's rate application was given through newspaper publication in Renfrew Hydro's service area advising interested parties where the rate application could be viewed and advising how they could intervene in the proceeding or comment on the application. No letters of comment were received. The Notice of Application indicated that intervenors could be eligible for cost awards with respect to Renfrew Hydro's proposed revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied and was granted intervenor status in this proceeding. The Board granted VECC eligibility for cost awards in regards to Renfrew Hydro's request for revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments. Board staff also participated in the proceeding. The Board proceeded by way of a written hearing.

While the Board has considered the entire record in this proceeding, it has made reference only to such evidence as is necessary to provide context to its findings. The following issues are addressed in this Decision and Order:

- Price Cap Index Adjustment;
- Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- Smart Metering Entity Charge;
- MicroFIT Service Charge;
- Revenue-to-Cost Ratio Adjustments;
- Shared Tax Savings Adjustments;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates; and
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances.

Price Cap Index Adjustment

As outlined in the Reports, distribution rates under the IRM are to be adjusted by a price escalator, less a productivity factor of 0.72% and a stretch factor.

On March 21, 2013, the Board announced a price escalator of 1.6% for those distributors under IRM that have a rate year commencing May 1, 2013.

The stretch factors are assigned to distributors based on the results of two benchmarking evaluations to divide the Ontario industry into three efficiency cohorts. In its letter to Licensed Electricity Distributors dated November 28, 2012 the Board assigned Renfrew Hydro to efficiency cohort 1, being the most efficient group, and a resulting cohort specific stretch factor of 0.2%.

The Board therefore has determined, on that basis, that the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.68% (i.e. 1.60% - (0.72% + 0.20%)). The price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across customer classes.

The price cap index adjustment does not apply to the following components of delivery rates:

- Rate Riders;
- Rate Adders;
- Low Voltage Service Charges;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;

- Rural or Remote Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply Service Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Loss Factors;
- Specific Service Charges;
- MicroFIT Service Charge; and
- Retail Service Charges.

Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge

On March 21, 2013, the Board issued a Decision with Reasons and Rate Order (EB-2013-0067) establishing that the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection ("RRRP") used by rate regulated distributors to bill their customers shall be \$0.0012 per kilowatt hour effective May 1, 2013. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this RRRP charge.

Wholesale Market Service Rate

On March 21, 2013, the Board issued a Decision with Reasons and Rate Order (EB-2013-0067) establishing that the Wholesale Market Service rate ("WMS rate") used by rate regulated distributors to bill their customers shall be \$0.0044 per kilowatt hour effective May 1, 2013. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this WMS rate.

Smart Metering Entity Charge

On March 28, 2013, the Board issued a Decision and Order (EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211) establishing a Smart Metering Entity charge of \$0.79 per month for Residential and General Service Less Than 50 kW customers for those distributors identified in the Board's annual *Yearbook of Electricity Distributors*. This charge will be in effect from May 1, 2013 to October 31, 2018. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this Smart Metering Entity charge.

MicroFIT Service Charge

On September 20, 2012, the Board issued a letter advising that the default provincewide fixed monthly charge for all electricity distributors related to the microFIT Generator Service Classification was to be updated to \$5.40 per month effective with the implementation of electricity distributors' 2013 rates applications. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects the new default microFIT service charge.

Revenue-to-Cost Ratio Adjustments

Revenue-to-cost ratios measure the relationship between the revenues expected from a class of customers and the level of costs allocated to that class. The Board has established target ratio ranges (the "Target Ranges") for Ontario electricity distributors in its report *Application of Cost Allocation for Electricity Distributors*, dated November 28, 2007 and in its updated report *Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy,* dated March 31, 2011.

Pursuant to the Board's decision in the Renfrew Hydro's 2010 cost of service application (EB-2009-0146) Renfrew Hydro proposed to increase the revenue-to-cost ratio for the General Services 50 to 4,999 kW, Unmetered Scattered Load and Street Lighting customer rate classes.

The additional revenues from these adjustments would be used to reduce the revenueto-cost ratio for the Residential customer rate classes.

The table below outlines the proposed revenue-to-cost ratios.

Rate Class	Current 2012 Ratio	Proposed 2013 Ratio
Residential	111.00	108.00
General Service Less Than 50 kW	100.00	100.00
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	87.00	90.00
Street Lighting	60.00	70.00
Unmetered Scattered Load	75.00	80.00

 Table 1: Current and Proposed Revenue-to-Cost Ratios

Board staff and VECC submitted that the proposed revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments

were in accordance with the Board's decision in Renfrew Hydro's 2010 cost of service proceeding.

The Board agrees that the proposed revenue-to-cost ratios are consistent with the decision arising from the 2010 cost of service proceeding and therefore approves the revenue-to-cost ratios as filed.

Shared Tax Savings Adjustments

In its Supplemental Report, the Board determined that a 50/50 sharing of the impact of currently known legislated tax changes, as applied to the tax level reflected in the Board-approved base rates for a distributor, is appropriate.

The calculated annual tax reduction will be allocated to customer rate classes on the basis of the Board-approved base-year distribution revenue. These amounts will be refunded to customers over a 12-month period, through a volumetric rate rider using annualized consumption by customer class underlying the Board-approved base rates.

Renfrew Hydro's application identified a total tax savings of \$4,773 resulting in a shared amount of \$2,387 to be refunded to rate payers.

Renfrew Hydro requested that the Board authorize that this amount be recorded in Account 1595 for disposition in a future application given that the associated rate riders are negligible. The Board agrees with Renfrew Hydro's request and directs Renfrew Hydro to record the tax sharing refund of \$2,387 in variance Account 1595 by June 30, 2013 for disposition at a future date.

Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSR")

Electricity distributors are charged for transmission costs at the wholesale level and subsequently pass these charges on to their distribution customers through the RTSRs. Variance accounts are used to capture timing differences and differences in the rate that a distributor pays for wholesale transmission service compared to the retail rate that the distributor is authorized to charge when billing its customers (i.e. variance Accounts 1584 and 1586).

On June 22, 2012 the Board issued revision 3.0 of the *Guideline G-2008-0001 - Electricity Distribution Retail Transmission Service Rates* (the "RTSR Guideline"). The RTSR Guideline outlines the information that the Board requires electricity distributors to file to adjust their RTSRs for 2013. The RTSR Guideline requires electricity distributors to adjust their RTSRs based on a comparison of historical transmission costs adjusted for the new Ontario Uniform Transmission Rates levels and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. Similarly, embedded distributors whose host is Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") should adjust their RTSR's to reflect any changes in Hydro One's Sub-Transmission class RTSRs. The objective of resetting the rates is to minimize the prospective balances in Accounts 1584 and 1586. In order to assist electricity distributors in the calculation of the distributors' specific RTSRs, Board staff provided a filing module.

Renfrew Hydro is a fully embedded distributor whose host is Hydro One.

On December 20, 2012, the Board approved new rates for Hydro One Sub-Transmission class RTSRs effective January 1, 2013 (EB-2012-0136), as shown in the following table.

Network Service Rate	\$3.18 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.70 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.63 per kW

Table 2: 2013 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

The Board finds that these Sub-Transmission class RTSRs are to be incorporated into the filing module.

Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances

The Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Report Initiative (the "EDDVAR Report") provides that, during the IRM plan term, the distributor's Group 1 account balances will be reviewed and disposed if the preset disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh (debit or credit) is exceeded. The onus is on the distributor to justify why any account balance in excess of the threshold should not be disposed. Renfrew Hydro's 2011 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 Accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2013 is a debit of \$29,147. This amount results in a total debit claim of \$0.0003 per kWh, which does not exceed the preset disposition threshold.

In its submission, Board staff noted that the principal amounts to be disposed as of December 31, 2011 reconcile with the amounts reported as part of the *Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements*.

The Board therefore finds that no disposition is required at this time.

Rate Model

With this Decision, the Board is providing Renfrew Hydro with a rate model (spreadsheet) and applicable supporting models and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges (Appendix A) that reflects the elements of this Decision. The Board has reviewed the entries in the rate model to ensure that they are in accordance with the 2012 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges and the rate model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Renfrew Hydro's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2013.
- Renfrew Hydro shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix

 Renfrew Hydro shall file with the Board a written confirmation assessing the
 completeness and accuracy of the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges, or provide a
 detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information within **7 days** of the
 date of issuance of this Decision and Order.
- 3. If the Board does not receive a submission from Renfrew Hydro to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Decision and Order will become final effective May 1, 2013, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2013. Renfrew Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

4. If the Board receives a submission from Renfrew Hydro to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the Board will consider the submission of Renfrew Hydro and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.

Cost Awards

The Board will issue a separate decision on cost awards once the following steps are completed:

- 1. VECC shall submit their cost claims no later than **7 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
- 2. Renfrew Hydro shall file with the Board and forward to VECC any objections to the claimed costs within **21 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
- 3. VECC shall file with the Board and forward to Renfrew Hydro any responses to any objections for cost claims within **28 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
- 4. Renfrew Hydro shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

All filings to the Board must quote file number **EB-2012-0163**, be made through the Board's web portal at, <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice//</u> and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>www.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their document to <u>BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 2 paper copies.

DATED at Toronto, April 4, 2013

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Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix A

To Decision and Order Draft Tariff of Rates and Charges Board File No: EB-2012-0163 DATED: April 4, 2013

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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. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

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Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	13.68
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0142
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0011
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0031

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW. 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	\$	30.60
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0135
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0010
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0032)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0054
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0029
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
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 a non residential account 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, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. 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	\$	185.36
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.4807
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3564
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.9541)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.2202
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1917
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0997

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less 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, etc. The customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load. 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 (per customer)	\$	42.73
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0097
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0010
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0053)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0054
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0029

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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 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 (per connection)	\$	2.89
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	7.0984
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2754
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.5228)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.0228
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6529
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.8501

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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microFIT 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

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ALLOWANCES

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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

Easement Letter	¢	15.00
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Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
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
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

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RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments, or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, charges for the Ministry of Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Program, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

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	1.0810
Distribution Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0802