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



EB-2012-0151

**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 Norfolk Power Distribution 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

Norfolk Power Distribution Inc. ("NPDI"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 12, 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 NPDI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

NPDI is one of 77 electricity distributors in Ontario regulated by the Board. The *Report* of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors (the "IR Report"), issued on July 14, 2008, established a three year plan for 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, NPDI 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. NPDI also sought approval for lost revenue adjustment mechanism ("LRAM") recovery and the removal of the retail transmission services rates from its Embedded Distributor rate class.

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 NPDI's rate application was given through newspaper publication in NPDI'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 NPDI's request for lost revenue adjustment mechanism ("LRAM") recoveries and a proposal to remove the retail transmission services rates from its Embedded Distributor rate class. 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 NPDI's request for LRAM recoveries and the removal of the retail transmission services rates from its Embedded Distributor class. Board staff also participated in the proceeding. The Board proceeded by way of a written hearing.

Written submissions from Board staff and VECC were due on January 14, 2013. Board staff filed its submissions by the deadline. Norfolk filed its reply on January 28, 2013. VECC filed its submissions on February 28, 2013. In its cover letter addressed to the Board, VECC noted that it had inadvertently missed the January 14 filing date and asked that the Board accept the submissions subject to the right of reply by Norfolk.

Norfolk consented to the filing and confirmed that it had no further submissions. It is unfortunate that VECC's submissions were late; however with no other intervenors participating in this proceeding, the Board finds the submissions of value. The Board therefore accepts the late filing.

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;
- Shared Tax Savings Adjustments;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances; and
- Review and Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism.

## 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 1.60% 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 NPDI to efficiency cohort 2, being the middle group, and a resulting cohort specific stretch factor of 0.4%.

The Board therefore has determined, on that basis, that the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.48% (i.e. 1.60% - (0.72% + 0.40%)). 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 XX, 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 < 50kW 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.

## 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.

NPDI's application originally included a tax sharing credit of \$55,333. In response to Board staff interrogatory #1, NPDI corrected the regulatory taxable income used to calculate the savings, and updated this amount to a credit of \$46,347.

The Board approves the disposition of the shared tax savings of \$46,347 over a one year period (i.e. May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014) and the associated rate riders for all customer rate classes.

## Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSRs")

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 ("UTRs") levels and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. Similarly, embedded distributors whose host is Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") should adjust their RTSRs 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.

Norfolk Power is a partially embedded distributor whose host is Hydro One.

On December 20, 2012 the Board issued its Rate Order for Hydro One Transmission (EB-2012-0031) which adjusted the UTRs effective January 1, 2013, as shown in the following table:

Network Service Rate	\$3.63 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.75 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.85 per kW

## 2013 Uniform Transmission Rates

The Board also 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

## 2013 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

The Board finds that these 2013 UTRs and Sub-Transmission class RTSRs are to be incorporated into the filing module.

NPDI requested the removal of the RTS rates for the Embedded Distributor class as they are no longer applicable. NPDI noted that the five customers within this class have five primary meter points ("PMEs"), each owned by Hydro One. NPDI stated that subsequent to the approval of its 2012 rates, Hydro One clarified that NPDI does not own the assets upstream of these PMEs, NPDI is not charged a transmission rate and therefore should not be charging Hydro One RTSRs.

In response to Board staff interrogatories, NPDI proposed to exclude the Embedded Distributor class from the disposition of account 1584 and 1586 and reallocated the total balance of these accounts to the other customers on the basis of kWh.

Board staff had no concerns with NPDI's request to remove the RTSRs from the Embedded Distributor class as well as its proposal to deal with the disposition of accounts 1584 and 1586

The Board approves the removal of the RTS rates for the Embedded Distributor class and approves the disposition of accounts 1584 and 1586.

## **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.

NPDI's 2011 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 Accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2013 is a credit of \$632,932. This amount results in a total credit claim of \$0.0017 per kWh, which exceeds the preset disposition threshold. NPDI proposed to dispose of this credit amount over a one-year period.

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* ("RRR"). Board staff submitted that the amounts should be disposed on a final basis. Board staff further submitted that NPDI's proposal for a one-year disposition period is in accordance with the EDDVAR Report.

The Board approves, on a final basis, the disposition of a credit balance of \$632,932 as of December 31, 2011, including interest as of April 30, 2013 for Group 1 accounts. These balances are to be disposed over a one year period from May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014.

The table below identifies the principal and interest amounts approved for disposition for Group 1 Accounts.

Account Name	Account	Principal Balance	Interest Balance	Total Claim
	Number	Α	В	C = A + B
LV Variance Account	1550	\$23,766	\$787	\$24,553
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	-\$505,356	-\$11,515	-\$516,871
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	-\$125,853	-\$5,485	-\$131,338
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	-\$407,047	-\$8,890	-\$415,937
RSVA - Power (excluding Global Adjustment)	1588	\$700,513	\$10,582	\$711,095
RSVA - Power – Global Adjustment Sub-Account	1588	-\$294,443	-\$9,992	-\$304,434
Total Group 1 Excluding Global Adjustment Sub-Account				
Total Group 1				-\$632,932

For accounting and reporting purposes, the respective balance of each Group 1 account approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595 pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*. The date of the journal entry to transfer the approved account balances to the sub-accounts of Account 1595 is the date on which disposition of the balances is effective in rates, which generally is the start of the rate year. This entry should be completed on a timely basis to ensure that these adjustments are included in the reporting period ending June 30, 2013 (Quarter 2).

## Review and Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism ("LRAM")

The Board's *Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management* (the "CDM Guidelines") issued on April 26, 2012 outline the information that is required when filing an application for LRAM.

NPDI requested the recovery of an LRAM claim of \$95,375. In response to interrogatories from Board staff NPDI confirmed that it had used Ontario Power Authority's ("OPA") 2011 final results. NPDI's LRAM claim consists of the lost revenues incurred in 2011 from CDM programs implemented between 2005 and 2010. NPDI proposed to recover the LRAM claim over a one-year period.

As well, NPDI requested the approval and recovery of historical Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) amounts related to lost revenue from 2011 CDM activities between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011. The requested LRAMVA claim is \$15,691, including carrying charges of \$439.

The Board's Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management EB-2012-0003, Page 13 states that at minimum, distributors must apply for disposition of the balance in the LRAMVA at the time of their Cost of Service rate applications. Distributors may apply for the disposition of the balance in the LRAMVA on an annual basis, as part of their Incentive Regulation Mechanism rate applications, if the balance is deemed significant by the applicant.

In response to VECC interrogatory 2(c), NPDI indicated that since a separate claim is being made for lost revenue of 2005 to 2010 CDM programs in 2011, it believes it is also appropriate to clear the LRAMVA account for 2011 energy savings related to CDM programs launched in 2011 on a timely basis.

In its submission, VECC noted that the estimated reductions in demand related to 2011 programs have been incorporated into the load forecast for May 1, 2012 onward. Therefore, VECC agreed it is timely to dispose of the LRAMVA balance at this time even though the balance is not significant

The Board approves the disposition of the LRAMVA amounts related to programs implemented between 2005 and 2010. Although the LRAMVA claim for 2011 is insignificant, the Board agrees that given the new load forecast for May 1, 2012 onward it is reasonable to clear the balance at this time. The Board therefore approves a further disposition of \$15,691 related to 2011 CDM programs.

## Rate Model

With this Decision, the Board is providing NPDI 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. NPDI's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2013.
- 2. NPDI shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. NPDI 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 NPDI 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. NPDI 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 NPDI 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 NPDI 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. NPDI shall file with the Board and forward to the 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 NPDI any responses to any objections for cost claims within **28 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
- 4. NPDI 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-2012-0151**, 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 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix A

To Decision and Order Draft Tariff of Rates and Charges Board File No: EB-2012-0151 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 accomodation. 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

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any service work done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code or Order of the Board, an amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.

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 or assessments that are required by law to be charged by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, charges for Ministry of Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Program, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Energy Benefit, and the HST.

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

Service Charge	\$	20.87
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.10
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Stranded Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.93
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0218
Low Voltage Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0009
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0017)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0067
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0032
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 LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to a non residential acount 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

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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

Service Charge	\$	49.98
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	3.42
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Stranded Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.93
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0156
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0008
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0017)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0005
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0028
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	\$	245.55
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	(1.03)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.93
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.9602
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3050
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3237)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.6615)
Rate Rider for Recovery of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.0262
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.0211
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4951
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1102

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 level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### APPLICATION

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

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

Service Charge (per customer)	\$	15.49
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0087
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0008
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0009)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0028

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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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts that are unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. 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 connection)	\$	6.53
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	19.4330
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2407
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3438)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.2079
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8913
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.8762

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 OEB street lighting load shape template. 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 connection)	\$	1.97
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	7.4269
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2358
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.6052)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.0655
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8818
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.8583

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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### EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity distributor licensed by the Board, and provided electricity by means of Norfolk Power Distribution Inc.'s distribution facilities. 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 connection)	\$	616.86
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0009)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0017)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0000
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0000
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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## 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.

#### APPLICATION

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

Service Charge

\$ 5.40

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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

#### APPLICATION

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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.

#### **Customer Administration**

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Pulling Post Dated Cheques	\$	15.00
Duplicate Invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Income Tax Letter	\$	15.00
Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Credit Reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
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
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Collection of account charge – no disconnection – after regular hours	\$	165.00
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
Service call – customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
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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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	1.0564
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0564
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0464
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0464