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



EB-2012-0142

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, 2013.

By Delegation, Before: Adrian Pye

FINAL RATE ORDER April 11, 2013

Kingston Hydro Corporation ("Kingston Hydro"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on August 31, 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 Kingston Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

In its Decision and Order on the application issued on April 4, 2013, the Board ordered Kingston Hydro to review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges and to 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 seven calendar days of the date of the Decision and Order.

On April 8, 2013, Kingston Hydro filed a letter and advised the Board that in the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges, the Standby Power customer rate class includes regulatory components (specifically the Wholesale Market Service Rate, Rural Rate Protection Charge and Standard Supply Service – Administration Charge) that were not included in previous Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges. Kingston Hydro also noted that the labeling of the *Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement* for the Residential and General Service Less than 50 kW rate classes is incomplete as it does not include the sunset date of the rate riders. The SMIRR for each of these two customer rate classifications should read as follows:

"Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order"

I agree with the above corrections. The Tariff of Rates and Charges appended to this final Rate Order reflect these corrections.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this 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. Kingston Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, April 11, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix A To Final Rate Order Final Tariff of Rates and Charges Board File No: EB-2012-0142 DATED: April 11, 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. All customers are single-phase. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	12.23
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until December 31, 2013	\$	1.73
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective		
date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	2.63
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0150
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0076
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0007
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	25.17
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until December 31, 2013	\$	3.95
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective		
date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	3.65
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0104
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0076
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0005
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0058
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044

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 refers to a non residential account whose montly 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	\$	272.68
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.9533
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.2520
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3635)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	2.7988
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0776
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5309
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9102

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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LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	5,027.35
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.0256
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3036
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.5017)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	3.8633
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0355
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.0495
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3017

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 refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak 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 demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load. 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 customer)	\$	11.24
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0137
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0010)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0076
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0005
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048

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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STANDBY POWER - APPROVED ON AN INTERIM BASIS SERVICE

This classification refers to an account that has Load Displacement Generation and requires Kingston Hydro Corporation 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 - Delivery Component

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 (per connection)	\$	1.00
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.5513
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1820
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3488)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	2.6860
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.2178
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8281
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3797

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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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

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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 Late Payment – per annum Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	% % \$ \$ \$	1.50 19.56 65.00 185.00 185.00 415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year Layout fees	\$ \$ \$	65.00 185.00 22.35 200.00

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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