



**EB-2012-0166**

**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 St.  
Thomas Energy 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

**FINAL RATE ORDER**  
**April 19, 2013**

St. Thomas Energy Inc. ("STEI"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 26, 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 STEI 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 STEI 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 9, 2013, STEI filed a letter and advised the Board that in the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges, the labeling of the *Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement* ("SMIRR") for the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW

rate class is incomplete as it does not include the sunset date of the rate rider. The SMIRR read as follows:

*“Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until”*

The complete wording for the SMIRR 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”*

The Board agrees with the above correction. The Tariff of Rates and Charges appended to this final Rate Order reflects this correction.

**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. STEI shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, April 19, 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-2012-0166**

**DATED: April 19, 2013**

# St. Thomas Energy Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2013

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consists of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadplex 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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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	11.37
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2014	\$	0.42
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - effective until the date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	2.02
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0158
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery (2011) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0072
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0054

### 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

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### APPLICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	17.23
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2014	\$	4.24
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - effective until the date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	4.65
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0149
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery (2011) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0071
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0050

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

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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 monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecasted 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	\$	71.31
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until April 30, 2014	\$	10.80
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - effective until the date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	9.12
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.1919
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3156)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.1102
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment (LRAM) Recovery/Shared Savings Mechanism Recovery (2011) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.1925
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0093)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.8237
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0378

### 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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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account for individual lighting on private property 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.

### APPLICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	5.69
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	6.8777
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.2510)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.1176
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0606)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7750
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2801

### 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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## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.36
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.0328
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.2823)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2010) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.0988
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0433)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1775
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5712

### 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.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	5.40
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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)

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## SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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### 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 check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (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
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge at Customer's request - at meter during regular hours	\$	65.00

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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	1.0350
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0247