

EB-2012-0171

**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 Wasaga 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 30, 2013

#### Introduction

Wasaga Distribution Inc. ("WDI"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on March 7, 2013 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 WDI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

WDI 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, WDI 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. WDI also sought approval for the discontinuation of rate riders for the Deferral and Variance Account Disposition (2011) – Effective until April 30, 2014, approved in its IRM2 application (EB-2010-0143).

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 WDI's rate application was given through newspaper publication in WDI'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 the Board did not intend to award costs in this proceeding as the applicant had only made proposals of a mechanistic nature within the Board's guidelines. No parties requested intervenor status in this proceeding. Board staff 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;
- 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 WDI to efficiency cohort 2, being the middle group and a resulting cohort specific stretch factor of 0.4%.

The Board has therefore determined, on that basis, that the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.48% (i.e. 1.6% - (0.72% + 0.4%)). 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 < 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 province-wide 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.

WDI rebased in 2012, with a combined federal and provincial tax rate of 15.5%. WDI's application contained a completed Shared Tax Savings Workform which indicated that the applicable tax rate for 2013 remains unchanged from 2012. As a result, there are no tax changes forecast to be shared with WDI's customers.

## 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.

WDI 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.

#### 2013 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

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

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.

WDI did not complete the Deferral and Variance Account continuity schedule included in the 2013 IRM Rate Generator Model at Tab 5 for its Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts. WDI's last cost of service application (EB-2011-0103) disposed of these accounts with balances to December 31, 2011 and projected interest to April 30, 2012. In the submission phase, Board staff submitted they had no issue with WDI not completing the continuity schedule.

In its Application, WDI requested discontinuation of the rate riders for the Deferral and Variance Account Disposition (2011) – Effective until April 30, 2014, approved in its IRM2 application (EB-2010-0143). These riders were established to dispose of all Deferral and Variance accounts approved in that application, including the Global Adjustment sub-account. Normally, a separate set of riders is established for the disposition of the Global Adjustment sub-account because this balance is recovered only from Non-RPP customers. In the process of completing the Deferral and Variance Account work form for the 2011 IRM application, WDI incorrectly interpreted the filing information which resulted in an incorrect allocation of the Global Adjustment sub-account to RPP customers.

The result is that the total Global Adjustment sub-account balance was partially collected from customers that should not have paid for this variance (the RPP customers). In addition, WDI began over recovering on the total deferral and variance balances approved for disposition at some point in 2012 due to the fact that the Global Adjustment sub-account balance was being recovered from a much larger number of customers. In response to Board staff interrogatories WDI confirmed that only the Residential, General Service <50 kW and General Service 50 to 4,999 kW rate classes were affected.

Board staff submitted that WDI should calculate and provide the dollar amounts and the number of years that WDI incorrectly charged to the RPP and Non-RPP customers. Board staff further submitted that WDI should propose a solution to address the incorrect allocation in the context of this proceeding. One option suggested by Board staff would be to cease the current rate riders and commence new riders by refunding to

RPP customers and charging to Non-RPP customers the appropriate amounts. The new rate riders would have the effective date of the rate order flowing from this proceeding. A second option would be to cease the current riders as of the effective date of the rate order from this proceeding and book the refund amounts to RPP customers under a new sub-account of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets – RPP Customer Refund, and the charge amounts to Non-RRP customers under a new Sub-account of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets – Non-RPP Customer Charge. These Sub-accounts of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets would be cleared at the time of WDI's next cost of service rate proceeding. Under this option, WDI would be expected to include an Accounting Order for these new Sub-accounts of Account 1508 in its reply submission.

In its reply submission, WDI proposed a different methodology which will correct the over recovery. WDI stated that this approach will have very little rate impact to the Residential and General Service < 50 kW rate classes. This approach would implement the rate riders as they were originally intended (using a three year disposition period) and reverse the effects of the incorrect riders flowing from the 2011 decision.

Both sets of rate riders would run at the same time (i.e. for three years from May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2016). WDI also proposed that the riders be tracked in the same subaccount of Account 1595 as the original submission. WDI submitted that this is the simplest way to deal with this matter and not have it carried over to another rate year.

The Board approves the approach WDI outlined in its reply submission. The Board finds the approach is consistent with option one in Board staffs submission. It corrects the allocation error in the prior proceeding by refunding to RPP customers and charging to Non-RPP customers the appropriate amounts on a going forward basis.

#### **Rate Model**

With this Decision, the Board is providing Wasaga 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. Wasaga Distribution Inc.'s new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2013.
- 2. Wasaga Distribution Inc. shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. Wasaga Distribution Inc. 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 Wasaga Distribution Inc. 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. Wasaga Distribution Inc. 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 Wasaga Distribution Inc. 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 Wasaga Distribution Inc. and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.
- 5. Wasaga Distribution Inc. 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-2012-0171**, be made through the Board's web portal at, <a href="https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice//">https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice//</a> 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 <a href="https://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca">www.ontarioenergyboard.ca</a>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their

document to the address below. 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 30, 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-2012-0171** 

**DATED: April 30, 2013** 

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2013

This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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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 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**

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 work or service 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, and 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.

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

Service Charge	\$	11.20
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until November 30, 2013	\$	0.65
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until November 30, 2013	\$	1.86
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0140
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0019
Rate Rider for Reversal of Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2011) – effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0141
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0142)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0255
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until November 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0038)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0068
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0049

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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 refers to a non residential 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. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

Wholesale Market Service Rate

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Rural Rate Protection Charge

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

Service Charge	\$	13.11
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until November 30, 2013	\$	3.09
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until November 30, 2013	\$	8.91
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0133
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0016
Rate Rider for Reversal of Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0009
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2011) – effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0141
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0144)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0255
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until November 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0024)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

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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 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	\$	30.05
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.5601
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5944
Rate Rider for Reversal of Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(3.2601)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2011) – effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(1.2127)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2011) – effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	8.5730
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(5.9140)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	10.3487
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until November 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.5449)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5165
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6975

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 application 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 the 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 connection)	\$	3.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0076
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Reversal of Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0020
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0145)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until November 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0021)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042

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 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)	\$	1.43
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.8514
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4595
Rate Rider for Reversal of Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2011) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.6695
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.6695)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(5.0420)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	9.0416
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until November 30, 2013	\$/kW	(1.2137)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8979
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3122

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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No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service 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, and 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.

It should be noted that this schedule does 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 HST.

### **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)

### SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

#### **APPLICATION**

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#### **Customer Administration**

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Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Income Tax Letter	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	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
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	1.0810
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5.000 kW	1.0702