

EB-2012-0167

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 Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. for an order approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Cynthia Chaplin

Presiding Member and Vice Chair

Ellen Fry Member

RATE ORDER

Thunder Bay Hydro Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. ("Thunder Bay Hydro") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 9, 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 Thunder Bay Hydro charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

In this proceeding a number of procedural steps were taken culminating in a Settlement Conference held on April 2 and 3, 2013. Thunder Bay Hydro, Energy Probe Research Foundation, the Schools Energy Coalition, the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition and the Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (collectively, the "Parties") participated in the Settlement Conference. The Parties reached a complete settlement on all issues and the proposed Settlement Agreement was filed on April 16, 2013.

The Board issued a Decision and Order on April 18, 2013 which accepted the Settlement Agreement, ordered Thunder Bay Hydro to file a draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings by April 24, 2013 and declared Thunder Bay Hydro's existing rates interim, effective May 1, 2013. The Board also reminded Thunder Bay Hydro to reflect in the Tariff of Rates and Charges the recently issued rates regarding the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge, the Wholesale Market Service Rate and the Smart Metering Entity Charge.

Thunder Bay Hydro filed a draft Rate Order and supporting material on April 24, 2013. No comments on the draft Rate Order from the intervenors or Board staff were filed. The Board has reviewed the information provided in support of the draft Rate Order and is satisfied that the revised Proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

In addition to the approval of Thunder Bay Hydro's distribution rates and charges, the Board also approved the recovery of certain amounts regarding Thunder Bay Hydro's Green Energy Plan. As per the Decision and Order, a portion of these funds are to be recovered from all ratepayers in the province through the IESO. Based on the information provided in the draft Rate Order, the amount will be \$991.00 per month for the 2013 rate year commencing May 1, 2013.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The Tariff of Rates and Charges for Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution
Inc. appended to this Rate Order is final effective May 1, 2013 and will apply to
electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1,
2013. Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc. shall notify its customers of
the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, May 9, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

APPENDIX A

TO RATE ORDER

Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.

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DATED: May 9, 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 consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until April 30, 2014	\$ \$ \$ \$	12.63 (1.58) 2.28
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018 Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kWh	0.79 0.0122
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0029)
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0020
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

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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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge effective until October 24, 2018	\$ \$ \$	25.96 4.19 6.29
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018 Distribution Volumetric Rate	ͽ \$/kWh	0.79 0.0134
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0020 0.0062 0.0044
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$	0.0044 0.0012 0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 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 1,000 kW. This class includes medium and large-size commercial buildings, apartment buildings, condominiums, trailer courts, industrial plants, as well as large stores, shopping centers, hospitals, manufacturing or processing plants, garages, storage buildings, hotels, motels, schools, colleges, arenas and other comparable premises. Note that for the application of the Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate and the Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate the following sub-classifications apply:

General Service 50 to 1,000 kW non-interval metered General Service 50 to 1,000 kW interval metered.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$ \$/kW \$/kW	195.33 2.4857 (1.4600)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.7802
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4536
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6885
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.6027
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.8662

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 1,000 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$ \$/kW \$/kW	2,794.55 2.2079 (1.3535)
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	0.7057 2.6027 1.8662
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$	0.0044 0.0012 0.25

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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh	6.75 0.0099 (0.0036)
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0020 0.0062 0.0044
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$	0.0044 0.0012 0.25

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SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. 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)	\$	6.66
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	5.3399
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	1.1274
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8599
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3327

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

This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photocells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated 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) Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$ \$/kW	1.11 6.6959
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.3424)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.7100
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8503
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3053
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 GENERATOR 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)

SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Customer Administration		
Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of account	\$	15.00
Easement letter	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	25.00
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
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 – per 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	1.0342
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5.000 kW	1.0239