

EB-2012-0113

**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 Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2013.

Before: Cynthia Chaplin

**Presiding Member** 

Allison Duff Member

### FINAL RATE ORDER June 27, 2013

Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. ("CWH") filed a complete application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 16, 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 CWH charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2013. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on November 22, 2012.

The Board conducted a written hearing. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied for and received intervenor status and cost eligibility. The hearing process included interrogatories, supplemental interrogatories, and revised evidence from CWH. Board staff and VECC filed submissions on April 1 and April 4, 2013, respectively. CWH filed its reply submission on April 18, 2013.

The Board issued its Decision and Order ("Decision") on the application on May 28, 2013. In its Decision, the Board made various determinations that affected the revenue requirement and the rates and rate riders to recover the approved revenue requirement and deferral and variance account balances approved for disposition. The Board also made provision for the inclusion in CWH's Tariff of Rates and Charges incorporating certain revisions to the Rural and Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge, the Wholesale Market Service Rate, and the Smart Meter Entity Charge.

The Board directed that CWH submit a draft Rate Order within ten days of the issuance of the Decision. The Board made provisions for Board staff and VECC to file comments on the draft Rate Order within seven days from filing, and allowed CWH seven days to file a response.

On June 7, 2013, CWH filed its draft Rate Order. On June 12, 2013, Board staff filed its submission noting a number of omissions in CWH's draft Rate Order. Board staff submitted that these omissions made it difficult for the Board and parties to reasonably ascertain that the draft Rate Order conformed with the Board's Decision. VECC filed a letter on June 14, 2013, concurring with Board staff's submission and reserving the right to make further comments depending on CWH's reply.

On June 18, 2013, CWH filed a revised draft Rate Order, addressing Board staff's concerns.

On June 18, 2013, VECC filed a further letter with respect to the revised draft Rate Order. VECC submitted that CWH had not updated the billing determinants for the deferral and variance account rate riders to correspond with the load forecast as revised by the Board's Decision, but otherwise took no issue.

On June 24, 2013, CWH filed a further updated draft Rate Order, updating the billing determinants and the calculations of the deferral and variance account rate riders in response to VECC's submission. CWH also filed updated bill impacts and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges.

The Board notes that there was no provision for the further submission by VECC however will allow it to be part of the record noting that that CWH agreed with VECC's submission and corrected the proposed rate riders.

The Board notes that the rate riders for the disposition of the balance of Account 1588 – sub-account Global Adjustment shown on the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges do not correspond with the rate raiders as calculated in the June 24, 2013 filing. The Board has changed these rate riders and has made other formatting changes for consistency with the Board's standard practice. The Board is satisfied with the Tariff of Rates and Charges, attached as Appendix "A".

### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order is approved effective **July 1, 2013** for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
- 2. This Tariff of Rates and Charges supersedes all previous Tariffs of Rates and Charges approved by the Board for Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd.'s service area, and is final in all respects.
- 3. Centre Wellington Hydro Ltd. shall notify its customers of the resulting rate changes no later than issuance of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, June 27, 2013

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

### APPENDIX "A" TO

FINAL RATE ORDER

**BOARD FILE NO.: EB-2012-0113** 

**DATED June 27, 2013** 

Effective and Implementation Date July 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 is for single dwelling units with separate metering, detached, semi-detached, triplex, etc. 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, 2015 Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until April 30, 2015 Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (2011) – effective until April 30, 2014		15.22 1.25 0.98 0.79 0.0140 0.0018 (0.0019) (0.0025) 0.0036 0.00005
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### **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**

Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	17.36
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2017	\$	4.26
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until April 30, 2015	\$	3.04
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0181
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0016
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0012)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0031)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0037
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.00024
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0067
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012

0.25

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### **GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 2,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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#### **APPLICATION**

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

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Service Charge	\$	160.20
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.4934
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6302
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.1781)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.2548)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014.		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.3935
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.7023
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9299
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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 3,000 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	645.57 2.7557 0.7433 (0.1133) (1.4126)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW	3.0223 2.2762
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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### **APPLICATION**

Rural Rate Protection Charge

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per customer) Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh	6.51 0.0103 0.0016
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014 Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh \$/kWh	(0.0015) (0.0030)
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0034 0.0067 0.0048
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component	φ/Κ۷۷11	0.0046
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044

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### SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account that is an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light where consumption is based on connected 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)	\$	4.46
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	11.7852
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4974
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.9275)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.5664)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.2402
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0485
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5232

### **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 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 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)	\$	1.82
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	8.7641
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4872
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.4965)
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.0692)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2013) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.2312
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0380
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4920
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
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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

### **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 Reference/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 Charge – At Meter – During Regular Hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Meter – After Hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Pole – During Regular Hours	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Pole – After 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	\$	160.00
Temporary Service Install & Remove – Overhead – No Transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary Service Install & Remove – Underground – No Transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary Service Install & Remove – Overhead – With Transformer	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	1000.00
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	1.0497
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0393
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5 000 kW	N/A