FOCA Interrogatories

Hydro One 2014 Distribution Rate Application

EB-2013-0141

FOCA IR 1

Ref; Exhibit A Tab 3 Sch 1 & App D

Hydro One states it intends to recover Smart Grid costs through a volumetric rate rider.

Later on, costs are allocated to classes through a class revenue process and then to individual customers on a volumetric basis.

This of course means that customers in the highest cost classes bear a disproportionate share of the Smart Grid costs, yet get the least if any benefit.

Please provide references to any OEB decisions to justify this inequitable distribution of costs.

FOCA IR 2

Ref; Undated directive from Minister Duguid re Smart Grid

In the directive, the Minister lays out numerous objectives and tasks for the OEB and Ontario’s LDCs.

Please provide an update on measurable (not projected) accomplishments that have been reached on the objectives laid out in the directive.

In particular, please address the improvement in reliability and power quality for load customers who are paying for this entire program.

FOCA IR 3

Ref; Minister’s Directive, Appendix A 4 iii)

Please advise the $ contributions by embedded LDCs in the Owen Sound pilot to Hydro Ones expenditures in this area.

FOCA IR 4

Ref; Ministers Directive Appendix A 4 ii)

Please provide a listing of benefits that have accrued to load customers to date as a result of the Owen Sound pilot.

FOC IR 5

Ref; Minister Duguid’s Directive

Does Minister Duguid’s directive have any effect now that the new Minister has signalled a major change in renewable energy policy requiring municipal support for any new wind or solar progects?