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September 9, 2013

Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Re:

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.

2013 Cost of Service Electricity Distribution Rate Application

EB-2012-0165

Response to Board Staff Submission

**Draft Rate Order** 

Dear Ms. Walli:

Please find attached Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.'s response to Board Staff Submission dated September 6, 2013 with respect to the Draft Rate Order submitted on August 30, 2013.

This response is being filed pursuant to the Board's e-Filing Services. Two hard copies of the response will be delivered to the Board via registered mail. In addition, one electronic copy will be forwarded to Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (807)737-3800 or via email at dkulchyski@tbaytel.net.

Sincerely,

Deanne Kulchyski, CGA, BComm(Hons)

President/CEO

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Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. ("SLHI") received comments from Board Staff on September 6, 2013 with respect to the Draft Rate Order submitted by SLHI on August 30, 2013. VECC did not submit any comments by the deadline.

SLHI notes that on page 3 of Board Staff's submission it states that "Board staff notes that the Board's decision did not order a two year phase-in period for the Street Lighting class as alluded to in the DRO." SLHI would like to note that on page 16 under "Board Findings" of the Board's Decision and Order EB-2012-0165 dated August 22, 2013, it states "...the Board accepts SLHI proposal to R/C ratio of 83.08% for SL class, yet mitigate the rate impact by transitioning to 83.08% over a two year period."

Therefore SLHI requests that the initial Tariff of Rates and Charges effective September 1, 2013 stands as submitted in the Draft Rate Order.

Attached as Appendix A is the Tariff of Rates and Charges in the format consistent with Board approved tariffs for other distributors.

All of which is respectfully submitted

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APPENDIX A

Effective and Implementation Date September 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 applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate 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. All customers are single-phase. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

### **APPLICATION**

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	26.28
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until August 31, 2014	\$	2.42
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until August 31, 2015	\$	2.80
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0113
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0037
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0030)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0033)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
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 LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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#### **APPLICATION**

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

Service Charge	\$	40.99
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs - effective until Augus	st 31, 2014 \$	3.09
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until August 31, 2015	\$	2.83
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0078
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0031
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until Augu	•	
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0030)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31	1, 2014 \$/kWh	(0.0035)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0012
MONTHLY DATES AND SHADOES DOLLARS		
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 50 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to a non residential account whose average monthly maximum demand used for billing purposes is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. 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

General Service >1,000 to 4,999 kW interval metered.

Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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

Service Charge	\$	375.40
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.3077
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3088
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.1747)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kW	(1.4209)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3598
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5128
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	2.5034
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	0.5667

# **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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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	21.68 0.0084 0.0031 (0.0029) 0.0059 0.0012
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**

Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate	\$ \$/kW \$/kW	9.23 24.3448 1.0120
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	(0.9830) 0.2840 1.7797 0.3965
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh \$/kWh	0.0044 0.0012

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	(0.3741)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

## SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Customer Administration Statement of Account Duplicate invoices for previous billing Easement Letter Income tax letter Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges) Charge to certify cheque Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	***	15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00 30.00
Non-Payment of Account Late Payment - per month Late Payment - per annum Collection of account charge – no disconnection Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter During Regular Hours Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter After Regular Hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	% \$ \$ \$ \$	1.50 19.56 30.00 110.00 245.00 245.00 415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – no transformer Temporary service – install and remove – underground – no transformer Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – with transformer Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	* * * * * *	110.00 245.00 500.00 300.00 1,000.00 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 retaile	r \$	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	1.0897
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5 000 kW	1.0788